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MAIL ORDER TAX BILL

The Mail Order Houses do not Pay Any Taxes

THE HOME MERCHANT SUFEERS

A most meritorious movement has been started by the Retail Furniture Dealers' Association, of the State of Tennessee and it might be well for similar oranizations elsewhere to imitate their axample. No doubt the eyes of many dealers will be opened to the seriousness of the situation by reading the following communication which was just received. The facts and statistics set forth in the following letter are indeed surprising.

THE FURNITURE WORKER,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Gentlemen,

This association, with the co-operation of thousands of live merchants throughout the United State, is endeavoring to secure the pasaage of the attached bill in the present session of Congress and earnestly requests that if you are interested in equal taxation and in the preservation of local business for the local merchants, that you write to your Congressman and Senators and state that you earnestly ask their help in securing the passage of H. R. 5308, and also write to each member of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives in Washington, D. C., who are the following, and ask that they at once make a favorable report of this bill to the House:

Oscar W. Underwood, Chairman; Francis Burton Harrison, Dorsey W. Shackelford, Claude Kitchin, Henry T. Rainey, Lincoln Dixon, Cordell Hull, Winifield S. Hammond, Andrew J. Peters, A. Mitchell Palmer, Timothy T. Ansberry, John M. Garner, James W. Collier, Augustus O. Stanley, Sereno E. Payne, Joseph W. Fordney, Augustus P. Gardner, J. Hampton Moore, Sydney Anderson, William P. Green, Victor Murdock.

From statistics that we have been able to gather, we believe that at the present time the Mail Order people are securing thirty per cent. of the entire business of the country and are paying no taxes in a great many states wherein they secure the bulk of their orders; this we feel is a discrimination against the regular merchant.

We have talked to farmers, merchants, bankers and laborers and people in all other lines of occupation and we have as yet to find a man who does not belive that the mail order houses should be taxed in this way to help support the roads that they send their goods over, and the courts in which they often have legal cases.

It is a fact that the progressive farmer and the progressive merchant invariably combine whenever there is any item of local benefit or civic improvement discussed, and when money is needed for the advancement of civilization, education or religion that the above two foot the bill, while the mail order people secure almost one-third of the business done and in no way, that we know of, assist in the advancement and improvement of any of our resources. In fact, in a great many of the states, it is the Parasite sucking the life blood (or money) and being exempt from taxes, they return nothing for the benefit of the states where they have no warehouses.

At the present time there are over one thousand mail order houses in the United States doing over $1,000,000,000 of business each year, and while drawing support from all sections, they are exempt from taxation where they secure the bulk of their trade, while the local merchants pays for the privilege of doing business as well as taxes upon his property and investments and moreover contributes to every affair that trends towards the enlightenment aud advancement of our commonwealth.

We are in no way trying to restrain trade, but our eyes are opened to the fact that the present exemption to taxes of mail order houses in all states except where they carry warehouses, etc., is unfair to every tax payer in every state where they are exempt.

This evil is the growth of a few years and if it is ever to be put upon a fair basis, now is the time to do it.

The farmers are rapidly beginning to realize that the mail order people should assist them in the payment of taxes as well as the merchants, and the merchants feel that from a point of justice that it is not fair play that they should be taxed while their competitors, doing a business with headquarters in another state, yet with their salesmen (or catalogues) using every road and calling on every house in his immediate neighborhood are free from all tax, while each order that goes in is dated in his state, and the attached law is the only way which we have been able to find that taxes can be legally and justly equalized.

There is not a line of business or a profession that the mail order houses are not affecting for among all is the tendency to centralize at a few large cities and in this way eliminate the smaller cities entirely.

The insurance man fails to get the insurance on the stock because the merchant only carries 70 per cent of what he would if the mail order houses did not secure the other 30 per cent, the states receive taxes only on the 70 per cent. the banker handles the cash

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A "DOG-GONE" GOOD YARN

"Truth is stranger than fiction," one of the most quoted—or rather misquoted—phrases, is from Byron's Don Juan, though the most folk highly compliment that author in thinking his words those of the world's greatest writer—Shakespeare. The correct quotation is, "'Tis strange but true, for truth is always strange—stranger than fiction."

In proof of this we wish to give The Transcript readers a truly marvelous animal story which, had it been told by Seyton Thompson, or some other such writer, would be at once stamped as a bit of nature faking.

Our enterprising young farmer, Mr. John D. Gill is trying to raise spring lambs as well as cereals on his farm in "Middle Neck," Md. There were also a number of dogs out there trying to find a home market for his toothsome product!

A day or two ago he heard a rumpus out in the field, and after some hunting finally discovered three dogs, one large shepherd, and two smaller curs, in a gully busy worrying one of his lambs.

The dogs were so intent on making a meal of the poor beast that they paid no attention to farmer Gill's yells and other protests, and so coming up, he jumped astraddle of the big shepherd, and grabbed one of the other dogs by the hind leg.

Tableau! He had a strangle hold on the big fellow's neck, and was yanking the other furiously about by the leg to keep from being bitten. In the scrimmage he contrived to get his gloves off though Heaven only knows how!

Next in some like mysterious fashion he managed to get his knife out of his pocket (which, though generally dull enough, he had that very day whetted on the grindstone to a keen edge) and while both dogs were struggling furiously to bite their captor and to escape, he deliberately drew his knife across the jugular of the shepherd, and in the next instant, gave cur no. 2 a dose of the same sharp medicine!

The two wounded sheepstealers ran about 100 yards, and then lay down to steal sheep no more forever!

"Why didn't you get the other dog?" demanded a simple bystander, who after hearing Mr. Gill's strange slaughter tale, must have thought he had as many arms as the fabled Briareus.

"Well, you see, I only had two hands, or I guess I would."

We reckon John's record for wholesale dog catching will stand for awhile! If he were not so deeply immersed in such trival bucolic pursuits as raising lambs at 10 cents a pound, wheat for $1.67 and the like, what a corking town dog-catcher he'd make!

GRANGE NOTES

During the Lecture hour of Peach Blossom Grange on Friday evening considerable time was devoted to the looking up and discussing the liquor law as it now stands on the statute law of Delaware. One of the late copies of the Delaware laws used as reference, and the members manifested much interest in becoming acquainted with the law.

A resolution offered at a previous meeting came up for a second reading and passed unamimously to be effective until April first, making the first Friday in the month an evening meeting at 7.30 o'clock and the third Friday an afternoon meeting at 2.00 o'clock.

The Grange went on record in favor of the Fruit Shipping Bill now in the house of Reprentatives, with the provision that said law will not interfere with the shipment of small packages of fruit sent to friends.

The next meeting of the Grange will be an afternoon meeting to be held the third Friday, February 16th, at 2 o'clock, at which time the following program will be rendered during the lecture hour:

Roll Call responded to by each one present naming an improvement in our Community.

Reading "The Little Old Town", Mrs. Myrtle Wilson.

What makes for efficiency

(1) In Dairying, Frederick Brady.

(2) In Dish-washing, Mrs. May K. McDowell.

(3) In Reading and Newspapers, Fred P. Williams.

(4) In Reading a Book, Mrs. Oka C. Warren

(5) In being a Grange officer, J. F. Deakyne. Conversation (for five minutes) upon efficiency, by one and all.

Question—"How Pure Frod Laws Helped the Farmer," by Dr. H. B McDowell, and Mrs. John W. Redgrave.

Tablean—In charge of Miss Helen F. Brady.

Prize Contest Winners

Messrs. Fogel & Burstan report that their "Gift Plan" Contest which has been running for the past three months, has been highly successful in every way.

Mrs. Royden Wilson of Middletown with coupons for $473.30 wins the brass bed; Mrs. E. Shetzler, of Odessa, with $466.30, the big Axminster rug; Mrs. J. Muhlberger, of Odessa, with $455.40, the mahogany rocking chair; Miss Elizabeth Alexander, of Middletown, with $245.40, the big wool blanket; Mrs. T. Whitlock, of Middletown with $221.60, the Kodak.

In their ad. in this issue Fogel & Burstan give the names and amounts of all the 28 contestants.

FRIENDS & VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

THOSE THAT COME AND GO

Mr. D. P. Keith is spending Saturday and Sunday at Dover.

Mrs. D. P. Keith spent Saturday and Sunday in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lee have been spending this week at Atlantic City.

Mrs. John T. Hayes, of Bear, is the guest of her sister Mrs. T. E. Hurn on Cass street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McWhorter have returned home after a month's stay in Philadelphia.

Miss Lenora Davis, of Townsend, spent the week-end with Mrs. James D. Davis, Jr.

Miss Rose Rutberg, of Philadelphia, spent several days this week with Miss Leah Berkman.

Mrs. Thomas M. Purnell, of Snow Hill, Md., spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs. J. B. Messick.

Mrs Alexander Metten visited her son William F. Metten and famlly in Wilmington this week.

Mrs. Sallie Gunkle, of Warwick, Md., is seriously ill as the result of a fall when she broke her hip.

Miss Charlotte Thompson, of Baltimore, is spending sometime with her sister Mrs. Alexander Maxwell.

Mrs. Zelene Cavender has returned from a visit with relatives in Chesapeake City, Md., and is now staying with Mrs. W. P. Biggs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B Foard entertained a few friends at dinner on Tuesday evening. Their guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Pool of McDonough, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. George Janvier of this town.

Chandler--Eliason

In St. Andrew's Church Wilmington on Saturday evening, Miss Edna Simmons Chandler, daughter of Lilburne Chandler, and Thomas McIntire Eliason were married by the Rev. Richard W Trapnell, rector of the parish. Miss Chandler was given in marriage by her father, and she was attended by Mrs. Chesleigh A. Bonine, of Washington, D. C., as matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Greta M. Chandler, the bride's sister; Miss F. Edith Springer, Miss Helen M. Bye and Miss Elizabeth H. Kilburn, of Upsall, Pa. The groom's best man was his brother, James B. Eliason, and the ushers were J. Roland Welch, Herbert Maston, Chesleigh Bonine, of Washington, D. C., and Dr. Swithin T. Chandler, of Germantown, Pa., the bride's brother.

The decorations about the chancel were palms and pink roses and the same decorative scheme was carried out at the home of the bride's father, 907 Jefferson street, where a reception was held. The Lohengrin bridal chorus was played by Edward J Muhlhausen.

Following the reception Mr. and Mrs. Eliason left on a wedding trip and after March 15 they will be at home at the Buckingham apartment.

Mr. Eliason is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Eliason of Mt. Pleasant. Several friends from Middletown attended the wedding.

"MR. BOB" TO BE A STUNNER

The Middletown public knows from past experience how well the local wearers of the comedy socks can please them, and so The Transcript needs only to announce their appearance in the Town Hall, on Monday evening, February 15th, in "Mr. Bob," to insure that "Standing room only" will greet the tardy comer.

Among those who have heretofore faced the footlights, one notes several new names, Mrs. Helen Bragdon and the versatile young Mr. Clarence Snow. No doubt all will give an excellent account of themselves.

The affair is designed to swell the coffers of the Middletown New Century Club, which cash box, they say, is shortly to be depleted in adding "a local habitation", to-wit, a Club Home, to the fine "name" they have already builded for themselves by their many useful private and public services. This will yet further bring out the lovers of good comedy. So everybody had best come early.

New Century Club Meeting

An interesting meeting of New Century Club was held on Tuesday, and the President presided.

Mrs. C. G. Robinson, State Chairman of music was introduced and rendened a most pleasing program. Following the recital a business session was held. A selection of a lot for a Club House being the subject of most importance. It was unanimously voted by the Club to accept with thanks the lot on North Broad street, donated by Mrs. G. F. Brady, as the ladies have already decided to build a Club House this spring. Committees are being appointed, and the ladies hope in the near future to have a Club Home of which they and the people of our community will feel justly proud.

The program for next Tuesday's meeting will be a lecture, "Some Curious Facts in Delaware History", Dr. Ernest V. Vaughan. It will be at 8.00 P. M., and will be open to the public.

BETHESDA CHURCH NOTES

The revival service at Bethesda Church has gathered momentum from week to week. The meeting is considered the greatest here in forty years. This generation has not witnessed anything like it in Middletown. Last Sunday was a red-letter day in the history of old Bethesda. The Pastor received twenty-six on probation and two into full membership before preaching. Before the sermon was concluded there was a penitent at the altar, and before the benediction was pronounced seven persons professed conversion; Sunday afternoon there were two professions; Sunday night thirteen conversions; Monday night twenty-two professions. To date there have been ninety-three conversions, besides many reclamations. To see the young converts at the front singing the stirring gospel songs found in the Sunday song book is an inspiration. Crowds of people attend the services nightly and are deeply impressed. No one can estimate the good accomplished. The Pastor has been most ably assisted by Miss Minnie F. Shay, who has given herself without stint to the work. Her singing, pointed altar calls have proven her to be a most efficient helper. Her methods are above criticism and the community is saddened at the thonght that she cannot tarry much longer with us. Our prayers will follow her wherever she goes.

Miss Minnie Shay will remain over Sunday and probationers will be received on Sunday morning.

9 30 a. m.—Brotherhood Devotional meeting.

10.30 a. m.—Preaching by the pastor.

2 p. m.—Sunday School.

7.30 p. m.—Preaching by the pastor.

Saturday 3 p. m. Junior League.

St. Annes' Church Notes

February 14th. Quinquagesima Sunday.

Morning Prayer and Sermon at 10.30 A. M.

Evening Prayer and Address at 7.30 P. M.

Sunday School session at 11.45 A. M.

Wednesday being Ash Wednesday, or the first day of the Lenton Season, there will be Service of Morning Prayer at 10.30 A. M.

Evening Prayer and Address at 7.30 P. M.

Service on Wednesday evening during Lent.

The following is the list of the Lenten Preachers:

February 24th. The Rev. A. E. Clattenburg, Vicar of Christ-Emmanuel Churches, Wilmington.

March 3d. The Rev. J. E. Parks, St. James' Newport, Del.

March 10th. The Rev. S. D. Van Loan, Rector, St. Pauls' Georgetown, Del.

March 17th. The Rev. J. W. Areson, Rector, Ascension, Claymont, Del.

March 24th. The Rev. E. H. J. Andrews' Rector, Christ Church, Milford, Del.

Also, Service on Friday afternoons, during the Lenton Season, at 3.30 P. M.

Forest Church Notes

Sunday, February 14th, 1915.

10.30 a. m.—Public Worship with Sermon.

11.45 a. m.—Sunday School Session.

6.45 p. m.—Christian Endeavor Service. "The Solid Foundations of Life," Mrs. George Derrickson, leader.

7.30 p. m.—Evening service with Sermon.

Wednesday evening, Prayer meeting.

On Friday evening, February 19th, a Radioptican enterteinment will be given under the auspices of the Society of Christian Endeavor.

Officers Elected

The Christian Endeavor Society of Forest Presbyterian Church has elected these officers and committees: President, Mrs. George Derrickson; Vice President, Mrs. F. H. Moore; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Hoffecker; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Rothwell; Treasurer, Miss Maude Deakyne; Organist. Mrs. S. E. Lewis; Ass't Organist, Miss Nellie Rothwell;

Committee; Lookout—Miss Mary Rothwell, Miss May Holten, Mrs. S. E. Lewis, Miss Mildred Redgrave.

Prayer meeting—Miss Nellie Rothwell, Miss Margaret Pleasanton, Mrs. E. M Shallcrsss.

Social—Mrs S. E. Lewis, Miss Maude Deakyne, Mrs. Albert Price, John J. Hoffecker Jr.

Sunday School—J. Fletcher Deakyne J. J. Hoffecker. Frank H. Tyson, Mrs. C. A. Hoffecker.

Missionary—Mrs. F. H. Moore, Mrs. George Derrickson, Miss Nellie Rothwell.

PORT PENN

Harper J. Carey, who has been reported as being ill with typhoid fever, continues to improve.

The home of Rev. George Vannote is under quarantine, one the children having a llght case of scarlet fever.

William McMullin, Miss Margaret McMullin, Joseph B. Yearsley and wife made a trip to Wilmington on Tuesday.

The Baseball Club will hold an entertainment in the P. O. S. of A. Hall, on Saturday evening, for the benefit of the team. Admission 25 cents.

Owing to illness in the minister's family the revivals were closed in the M. E. Church. The total number of conversions were five, which were taken in the church on probation.

MISS BISSEL'S REPLY

Child Labor Commission Sent Letter to the Governor

OBJECTS TO BILLS PASSING

Miss Emily P. Bissell, chairman of the executive committee of the Child Labor Commission, has sent the following open letter to Governor Charles R. Miller, at his home in Wilmington:

"My Dear Governor: The recommendations of the legislative committee, with your concurrence, to investigate the State Child Labor Commission, are printed in today's papers. As the chairman of the executive committee of that commission I have been, as you know, under steady fire for a month past. The recommendations of the legislative committee practically discredit the State Child Labor Commission, and bills are already presented to abolish it as far as women members are concerned. If these bills are enacted into law, the work of caring for the children of the State is to be taken away from the women of Delaware.

"I need hardly point out to you the personal bearing of this, if the bills are carried through; for in that case, after four years of arduous and unpaid work for the State, in an official capacity, in child labor matters, my service will be rejected as valueless, and whatever sincere effort I made, while on the executive committee, to have the law rightly enforced, will be condemned. Far be it from me, if the State shall so decree, to contest this point. Who am I, to say that my work is good, if my service is set aside as not satisfactory to the State? If I am judged and condemned by the present administration, I must accept that verdict not in pride, but in humility. It has been onerous work, unsought by me which has cost me much money and time, and has subjected me to public insult and public clamor such as I could not have imagined against a woman whose only desire was to be faithful to the responsibilities laid officially upon her, not by her own will, but by the State of Delaware. No outside unofficial criticism and attack of this nature, however, could relieve me of my responsibilties to the Commonwealth But if the State itself, through its present Legislature and Executive speaks now and discredits me publicly, my responsibilities will thenceforth be over, as any one can see.

For years I have tried to serve Delaware in every way that she has honored me by desiring me to serve her. I have been for six years on the State Tuberculosis Commission, and also on the Commission to Decorate the State House. I have endeavored as a woman entirely out of politics, entirely unpaid, to offer to my native State the best that in me lay. That best is now, by the legislative committee, held up as worthless and thus discredited before the people.

"If these bills pass, I shall be sorry. to have the State which I love rebuke my work. I should be sorry to serve my State no longer. But the situation will have to be faced without resentment, without refusal to recognize plain facts. When I face the fact of being discredited by my own commonwealth, I must face the fact that a valueless worker, dismissed in disgrace, can have no standing and must discredit anything else with which she is connected in State matters. Whether I like it or not, makes no difference. If it happens, I must recognize it.

"I therefore lay before you the necessity—not of my making—of my resignation, if these bills pass, from the Delaware State Tuberculosis Commission (which I would regret exceedingly) and from the Delaware Commission to Decorate the State House. If I am not counted worthy to serve the State on one commission. I am unfit for the others, and I desire that Delaware shall have only those representatives whom she approves and sustains.

"On account of our long personal friendship, I know that you, at least, will understand my position. Those newspapers—and there are several—which have steadily misrepresented me will descant upon my resignation as proof of personal spite, the anger of a disappointed woman, a peice of Machiavellian effort, a threat, a play to the gallery, or anything else that will make a spicy editorial. The enemies of the State Child Labor Commission will find a thousand ugly things to say—and some of them will hurt, for it is hard for a woman to be a living target. But you, as a friend will know that so long as I can acceptably serve the State I would ever desire to do so; and that if I am dismissed from her service by the voice of her Legislataure and her Executive, I will leave it with submission to her authority, and with deep regret that my work has not seemed to Delaware to be of value enough to sustain it.

Yours always sincerely,
Emily P. Bissellll.

"February 1st, 1915.

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JOB WORK

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ODESSA

Miss Emma Eccles and mother were Wilmington visitors on Tuesday last.

Rev. E. A. McLaury and wife were Philadelphia visitors part of this week.

Rev. Howard Gray, of Wilmington, was a visitor in town on Thursday last.

Captain and Mrs. H. V. Woodall, of Wilmington, were visitors in town part of this week.

Mrs. George Roemer has been spending part of this week with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Louise Marstella, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mrs. John Heldmyer part of last week.

Mrs. D. C. Aspril, of Wilmington, has been spending a few days this week with her mother Mrs. R. J. Mailly.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Reynolds attended the funeral of her brother Orville Humes, in West Philadelphia, on Wednesday of last week.

An Epworth League Social was given on Wednesday evening, to the members and friends of the League also to the new converts of the church.

Preaching in Drawyers Presbyterian Church next Sabbath morning as usual, and at night. Rev. E. A. McLaury proposes to give some impressions of the noted Evangelist, Billy Sunday, and the great work he and his helpers are doing in Philadelphia. A very interesting meeting is anticipated.

Owing to the illness of Rev. H. C. Shipley, on Sunday last there were no preaching services at St. Pauls M. E. Church. Quite a large number of the congergation attended the Presbyterian Church and enjoyed a very impressive service in charge of the pastor Rev. E. A. McLaury. The service was composed of a Baptism Service and an acceptance of the new converts to the church, followed by the sermon by the pastor and the administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

All members ot Washington Camp No. 11 P. O. S. of A. are greatly requested to be present on Wednesday evening, February 17th, as arrangments will be made for the cebeoration of Washington's birthday, there is also other business of importance which must be considered at that time.

LOCAL NEWS

The best steak, roasts, lamb and veal at W. C. JONES'

Wagons and Dearborns for sale.
J. C. GREEN.

WANTED—BALED HAY AND STRAW. S. B. FOARD.

FRESH and SALT FISH at my store at all times. W. C. JONES.

Wagons and Dearborns for sale.
J. C. GREEN.

Dr. Warren S. P. Combs Dentist. Successor to the late Dr. J. C. Stites.

HIDES WANTED—The highest cash prices paid for horse and cow hides.
W. C. JONES.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—Oak hall-stand and dining-room table, also walnut bedroom suit and sideboard. Apply to
THIS OFFICE.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of Letters remaining unclaimed in the Post Office, for week ending Feb. 4th: Miss Viola Sertts, Mrs. Hester Thomas Mrs. Hester Whaters.

HIGH GRADE LEHIGH pea, nut, stove and egg coal always on hand and UNDER COVER. BEST GRADE GEORGES CREEK soft coal.
Phone 5. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

FARMERS—Your Lime orders are now in season. We offer Run Kiln, Pulverized, Hydrated and Ground Limestone. Highest Carbonate. Lowest prices. Prompt shipments.
JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

Celebrates First Anniversary

Tht members of the "Can and Will" Class of Forest Presbyterian Church, Miss Mary S. Rothwell teacher, celebrated their first anniversary Tuesday evening by giving a social to the members and a very few friends. The affair took place in the lecture room of the church, and a pleasant program given, after which a light supper was served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. B. T. East, Mrs. S. E. Lewis, Misses Nellie and Mary Rothwell, May Clayton, Mattie Cleaver, Helen Cleaver, Maude, Blanche and Elma Deakyne, Lydia Eliason, Jennie Gallagher, Clara Gallagher, Edith Eliason, Odel Gallagher, Letitia Pool, Margaret Pleasanton, Lydia Redgrave, R. T. Cann Jr. Kendell McDowell, Lemont Jones, Kenneth East, John Pool.

Heard on the Pave

One day recently one of our real estate agents was leading his young hopeful when the youngster sat squarely down on the ground and began playing with the dirt.

"Aha! said The Man About Town, who chanced to be passing, "a chip off the old block, dealing in real estate." The witty rejoiner was swift—"Yes, at bottom prices!"

Again, Farmer W. was telling Mr. P. that some one had said in the paper that he was going to re-seed his flooded wheat field, across the railroad.

Man About Town—"Just wait, Mr. P. and the water itself will recede for you!"

SUFFRAGE GAINING

Sentiment for Suffrage Strong Down the State

MANY SIGNED THE PETITION

"Those who say there is no suffrage sentiment down the state, don't know what they are talking about," declared Miss Mabel Vernon to a representative of Wilmington Morning News when she returned Saturday from a brief trip through Sussex county in the interest of the campaign which is being waged by the Delaware campaign committee trying to secure a constitutional amendment providing for the enfranchisement of the women in this state.

Continuing to speak of the matter, Miss Vernon said: "Why I found more suffrage sentiment lying dormant among the men and women of Sussex county than I could have believed was possible. It required no effort at all to secure signers to the suffrage petitions. The men and women were eager to sign and we received many signatures of those who wish to have the women of Delaware enfranchised."

In continuing to speak of the trip which Miss Vernon and Mrs. Edna Latimer made through Sussex county, the former said: "During the two and a half days we were away, we spoke to 2,500 persons and held 16 meetings. At every one of those places where the audience was large enough, the resolution was passed calling on the legislators from those districts to vote for the suffrage amendment."

Due to the conditions of the roads, the "suffrage flier" had to be abandoned and the trip most of the way was made in a carriage drawn by two horses. Enthusiastic meetings were held at Harbeson and Ocean View. At the latter place there were about 150 persons in attendance and the resolution was passed unanimously, At the meeting held in the armory at Milford, Saturday night, 500 persons were in attendance. Representative Joseph G. Davis was in the audience and when the vote for the suffrage resolution was taken, the representative requested that a standing vote be taken. More than two-thirds of the audience voted in favor of the resolution, and when all those opposed were asked to stand not a person arose. On Saturday at noon a meeting was held at Lewes in front of the bank, Reprerentative Saulsbury and Senator Joseph were in the audience. Miss Leah Burton moved that the resolution be passed favoring the granting of franchise to the women of Delaware and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Thompson, wife of Mayor Thompson of Lewes. The resolution was passed unanimously. Representative Saulsbury remarked: "I didnot know there were so many suffragists in Lewes."

The contributions on the trip didn't quite pay for expenses since the expenses were quite heavy, partly caused by the conditions of the roads and the necessary change of plans. An automobile was used from Georgetown to Milton. Mrs. Latimer and Miss Vernon were entertained Saturday over night by Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Townsend, of Milford. At Lewes they were the guests of Mrs. William Marshall, and at Selbyville they were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Long.

On Tuesday from 1 to 2 o'clock the suffragist will be given a hearing before the revised statutes committee of the Senate. Indications are that there will be a large delegation. It is expected that the speaker on that occasion will be Dr. Cora Smith King, of Washington state. Dr. King is the treasurer of the national council of women voters. Mrs. Florence Bayard Hilles will preside at the meeting.

When asked if the suffragists would present a list of signers to a petition as the anti's did, a representative of the organization said: "No, we don't expect to. A list of our signers would be voluminous. We have more than 3,000 signers and could secure a great many more. We don't care to select a few names of representative citizens since we believe the signature of a good industrious farmer to be of as much value to our cause and to our state as the names of the representative citizens whose names have been published. The suffragists, however, have the signatures of a great many prominent citizens of Wilmington."

The "flier" leaves again on Wednesday for a tour of Sussex county through a section not yet visited. The start will be made from Seaford on Wednesday, February 10; at noon. From there the "flier" will proceed to Delmar and a night meeting will be held at Laurel. A moon meeting has been planned for Bridgeville on Thursday, then on to Greenwood and Farmington at night. On Friday to Felton, Frederica, Rising Sun, Magnolia, Woodside and Wyoming. All details of the trip have not been definitely fixed.

Death of G. G. Chamberlaine

George G. Chamberlaine, a former resident of Middletown, died in New York state on Sunday last, of pneumonia aged about 56 years. He was a son of the late Dr. George G. Chamberlaine and a brother of the late Alfred M. Chamberlaine, of this town and lived here until after he was grown. Three brothers survive him, Rev. Henry Chamberlaine, Lloyd and Herbert Chamberlaine, all of New York. The body was brought here on Tuesday afternoon and buried in St. Annes' Cemetery.

DROP BOMBS UPON GERMAN OFFICERS

Three Killed at General Staff Headquarters.

BOMBARDMENT AT NIGHT

Germans Checked In Their Attempt To Break the Russian Lines Before Warsaw Are Sending Large Forces To East Prussia.

Paris.—A report by the official observer of aerial warfare, given out by the War Office, tells of bomb dropping by French aviators upon two German Army headquarters.

In one case three officers accompanying the German General Staff are said to have been killed. The report follows:

"On January 29, about 10 o'clock at night, a French aviator dropped four bombs on the quarters of the German General Staff, whose presence had been ascertained near Ostend.

"Several days later news was received that three German officers were killed by one of the projectiles.

"On February 1 a new bombardment of Ostend was executed at night from an altitude of only 1,100 meters (3,575 feet).

Drop Bombs Into Trenches.

"A night reconnaisance of the country surrounding Lafere and Laon was effected on January 29. The lights in the German encampments were put out on the approach of our machines.

"One aviator descended to an altitude of 500 meters and, flying lengthwise of the German trenches, dropped 18 bombs upon them. Some 90 bombardments executed in the daytime were no less successful.

"On January 30, in Alsace, four bombs were dropped on the Chateau D'Hombourg, where German headquarters had been established. Eight bombs were dropped on the railway station in the Honnebruch woods. The station at Pagny received six shells that day and 14 the following day.

A Duel In the Air.

February 1 the Lutterbach Station was strongly bombarded. The next day our aerial projectiles hit the important electrical transformer which controls the Muelhausen region."

A thrilling air duel between British and German airmen occurred over the Etterbeck maneuver ground, near Brussels, resulting finally in the German being shot down.

Thousands of Belgians watched the terrific battle in the air. When the Taube pitched earthward, signalling the victory of the British flyer, the crowd broke out in a great chorus, singing God Save the King, while the British aviator waved the Union Jack to the watching throng and headed for his own lines.

Russians Threaten a Wedge.

London.—In the vast theater of war interest continues to center in the East, where the Germans, having been checked in their efforts to break the Russian lines before Warsaw, have transferred many of their troops to East Prussia to meet the Russian offensive in that region.

This offensive has commenced to be a real danger to the Germans, as it threatened to drive a wedge between Tilsit and Insterburg and so to turn the fortified position in the extremely difficult country of the Mazurian Lakes.

MUST PROTECT AMERICANS

Vigorous Notes to Go to Both Belligerents.

Washington, D. C.—Informal discussion by President Wilson with his advisers of the German notification of the dangers to which neutral ships may be subjected in the newly-prescribed war zones around Great Britain and Ireland and the use by the British liner Lusitania of the American flag foreshadowed a diplomatic correspondence between the United States and both Great Britain and Germany, respectively, on these questions.

In each case the American government, because of its neutrality cannot discuss the rules which the belligerents may adopt toward each other. The prescription of the war zone itself however, or the use of a neutral flag by belligerent-owned vessels as a stratagem of war has not given the American officials concern so much as the prospect that these acts may endanger the lives of American citizens, whose right to travel on the high seas on neutral ships during time of war, it is intimated, will be vigorously defended.

RUSSIAN GIRL IN 19 BATTLES.

Wounded and Decorated With the Cross Of St. George.

Moscow.—Among the wounded who have arrived in Moscow from the front is Olga Krasilnikoff, a girl of 19 years. After taking part in 19 battles in Poland she was wounded in the foot. The girl enlisted under a man's name and this deception has just been discovered. The Cross of St. George, fourth degree, has been awarded to her.

PRISONERS TO STARVE FIRST.

Cologne Gazette Says British Policy Will Make Them Suffer.

Amsterdam, via London.—The Cologne Gazette, a [illegible] which has been received in A[illegible] article dealing with [illegible] plan to withhold food [illegible] plans "[illegible] starve [illegible] and [illegible] we [illegible] "If it [illegible] to starve [illegible] of her countries with other first" [illegible]

CUNARDER FLIES U. S. FLAG

"Old Glory" as Protection To Her Passengers.

TEXT OF BLOCKADE ORDER.

The proclamation issued by the German Government to neutral nations, as translated by the State Department in Washington, reads:

The waters around Great Britain, including the whole of the English Channel, are declared hereby to be included within the zone of war and that after the 18th instant all enemy merchant vessels encountered in these waters will be destroyed, even if it may not be possible always to save their crews and passengers.

Within this war zone neutral vessels are exposed to danger, since in view of the misuse of the neutral flags ordered by the Government of Great Britain on the 31st ultimo and of the hazards of naval warfare, neutral vessels cannot always be prevented from suffering from the attacks intended for enemy ships.

The routes of navigation around the north of the Shetland Islands in the eastern part of the North Sea and in a strip 30 miles wide along the Dutch coast are now open to the danger zone.

London.—The British steamer Lusitania, of the Cunard Line, which sailed from New York January 30 and arrived at Liverpool Saturday afternoon, flew the American flag from the time she passed Queenstown until she entered the Mersey.

The Lusitania received a wireless message from the Baltic, of the White Star Line, that two submarines had been sighted from that vessel.

The captain of the Lusitani in reply to a question of one of the passengers, declared that he had a right to fly the flag of a neutral country for the protection of neutral passengers and mails which his ship was carrying.

According to a statement by Will Irwin, an American writer, the Lusitania carried the regulation large American flag at her stern, with a small American flag and mail pennant at the forepeak.

Former United States Senator Lafayette Young, another passenger, while he did not personally see the flag flying, said it was accepted as a fact by all on board.

No Formal Protest Yet.

Washington.—Until full explanations are forthcoming from Germany as to the meaning of the Kaiser's ocean war zone proclamation, Administration officials have decided to withhold any formal protests.

An official copy of the decree was received at the State Department from United States Ambassador Gerard. The Ambassador reported that the German Foreign Office had furnished him with a lengthy memorandum explanatory of the proclamation. This Government will not attempt an interpretation until this memorandum is received.

That the German proclamation is cause for concern not alone for the United States was indicated when Chevalier van Rappard, the Dutch Minister, called on Acting Secretary Lansing and proposed concert of action by all neutral nations, under the leadership of the United States.

WANTED NO AMERICAN AID.

Jap Collier and Two Warships Stand By Asama.

Washington, D. C.—Rear-Admiral Howard's flagship San Diego and the cruiser Raleigh, which had been standing by the Japanese cruiser Asama, left San Bartholome Bay for San Diego, Cal. They did not take any of the officers or crew of the Japanese vessel, nor were they called upon for other assistance.

Admiral Howard, in his report, merely said his vessels offered the stranded cruisers "any neutral service," but that no aid was desired.

Although the Navy Department is prevented from making public any details for considerations of neutrality, as German ships are about, it is understood that at least one Japenese collier and two Japanese warships appeared at the scene, and have taken charge of salvage operations.

CROSSED CANAL, TURKS SAY.

Vanguard To Wait Till Main Force Can Attack.

Constantinople, via London.—Turkish army headquarters has issued an official announcement which refers to the "successful reconnoitering march" of the Turkish forces on Egypt. It says that some companies of Turkish infantry crossed the Suez Canal. "Our vanguard will keep in touch with the enemy and continue reconnoitering the east bank of the canal," the announcement continues, "until our main force can proceed to the attack."

AMBULANCES FOR RED CROSS.

Harvard and Yale Students Donate 17 Automobiles.

Washington, D. C.—The 17 automobile ambulances donated by Harvard and Yale students have been turned over to the American Red Cross and will be shipped to Europe in the near future for service on the battlefields The ambulances are khaki covered and bear a huge red cross on a field of white. They are fully equipped for Red Cross work.

FRANCE BUYS 100 ENGINES.

Philadelphians To Build Locomotives For Army's Use.

Philadelphia—Contracts for the construction of 100 narrow-gauge locomotives for [illegible] have been received by a [illegible] concern from the [illegible] making the [illegible] of the [illegible] locomotives will cost approximately $600.

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160 MEN ESCAPE GAS EXPLOSION

Accident in Carlisle Mine Fatal to Twenty Miners.

MAIN SHAFT NOT DAMAGED

The State Mine Department Had Recently Ordered That the Carlisle Mine Install Safety Lamps.

Charleston, W. Va.—Twenty miners were killed in a gas explosion in the Carlisle Mine of the New River Company, in Fayette county, in the heart of the New River coal field. The fact that the explosion was of a local nature, confined to one section of the mine, saved many lives, as 180 miners were in the mine at the time.

District Mine Inspectors John I. Absalom, of Montgomery, and Lance B. Holliday, of Beckley, who hurried to the scene of the diaster immediately after being notified of the explosion, in reports to the State Department of Mines, declared that the bodies found in the section of the mine affected by the explosion were in good condition. Only two of the miners who met sudden death a few minutes after they had gone to their work were badly burned. The others had been asphyxiated while at work.

That the mine disaster was the result of an explosion of gas the district mine inspectors did not seem to doubt, although they would express no official opinion. The mine generated gas in liberal quantities, but the explosion was the first to occur in the Carlisle mine, although it had been worked for a dozen years. The mine is connected with the Oakwood mine, and is only a few miles distant from the Parral mine, where a disastrous explosion occurred several years ago.

Recently the state mine department had required the Carlisle mine to install safety lamps, and it is claimed that this order was being complied with at the Carlisle and other mines in the vicinity.

The Carlisle mine is a shaft 440 feet in depth. Fire bosses are employed, and an examination of the mine is made every morning before the men are permitted to enter for the day's work.

The usual investigation was made by the fire bosses, but it is supposed that a miner ignited a pocket of gas with an open lamp and the explosion resulted.

THREE KILLED WITH HAMMER.

Two Women and Girl Found With Heads Crushed.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The bodies of Mrs. Lizzie Drake, 65 years old; Mrs. Irene Spencer, 35 years old, and her daughter, Gertrude Spencer, 12 years, were found in their beds at their home at Salamanca. Their heads had been crushed in with a sledge hammer.

Apparently the victims had been slain as they slept. Physicians who examined the bodies said that the murder had been committed three or four days ago. The police have sent out an alarm for a former boarder at the Drake house. Mrs. Drake was Mrs. Spencer's mother.

WOMEN AS BRIBETAKERS.

Three Accused Of Selling Their Votes For a Dollar.

Pikesville, Ky.—It was learned here that three women have been indicted on charges of selling votes in the last school election, and they will be tried with the 1,100 men who are accused of having committed fraud at the primary election last August. It was alleged in the indictments that the women sold their votes for a dollar each.

CHILD DESERTERS TO PRISON.

Haeffner and Wife Sentenced In New York.

New York.—Just to make the pasttime of abandoning children as unpopular as possible in New York, Judge Rosalsky sentenced George Haeffner and his wife Jeanette, to terms of from two and a half to five years each. The father will serve his time in Sing Sing and the mother will be sent to Auburn.

POSTAL BILL CLIPPED.

Senate Committee Reduces Appropriation By $2,000,000.

Washington.—Appropriations in the Postal Bill as passed by the House were cut $2,000,000 by the Senate committee because of the decrease in postal revenues since the outbreak of the war.

BOY OF NINE KILLS MOTHER.

Shotgun Being Taken By Lad To Father Suddenly Goes Off.

Colfax, Wash.—Mrs. O. R. Meye, 35 years old, was killed accidentally by her 9-year-old son at their ranch home near Hay, in Western Whitman county. Meye was hauling straw and had sent his son to the house for his shotgun. The lad while leaving the house discharged the gun, the shot striking his mother in the breast and shoulder. She lived less than an hour.

"DRY" BILL IN INDIANA.

Statewide Prohibition Plank Before Legislature.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Statewide prohibition was placed before the Indiana legislature by a bill introduced in the House. The bill would prohibit the manufacture, sale or giving away of spirituous, malt, vinous or intoxicating liquors, but provides for their use for sacramental, scientific, mechanical and medical purposes. The manufacture of home-made wines and cider is legalized by the bill.

WAR SIDELIGHTS

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BANK DIRECTORS MUST PAY LOSSES

Treasury After Officials of Six New York Institutions.

FEW MILLIONS INVOLVED

Federal Department Withholds the Names Of National Institutions, But Announces None Of Them Is In Slightest Danger.

Washington. — Active steps have been taken by treasury officials to compel directors of at least six national banks in New York city personally to make good losses sustained by their institutions through what the government holds were investments not authorized by law. Officials declined to give the names of the banks, but it was said that none of them was in the slightest danger and that the total amount involved was a few million dollars.

The investments took the form, it is said, of underwriting operations and occurred several years ago. Many of the directors of the banks at the time are said not now to be connected with those institutions, but restitution has been demanded, nevertheless.

Some of the directors concerned are said already to have agreed to make good, but negotiations with others are still in progress.

Action was taken by the department at this time, it was understood, because the statute of limitations might operate to prevent stockholders of the banks in question from recovering the amounts lost through legal proceedings. Such proceedings probably would not be discouraged by department officials if the directors refuse to comply with requests for settlement.

NEAR FAMINE IN AUSTRIA.

A Two-Pound Loaf Of Bread Now Costs Sixteen Cents.

Venice (via London).—An official decree issued in Trieste raises the price of a two-pound loaf of bread from 14 cents to 16 cents. The grain markets in Austria are said to be in a desperate condition. The war bread that is being sold is composed largely of substitutes for flour. The people in Vienna are said to be complaining of the constantly increasing price of meat. Hogs are reported to be almost unobtainable.

POSTAGE TO GERMANY UP.

Burleson Increases Rates On Mails During War.

Washington, D. C.—Postmaster General Burleson suspended the two-cent postage rates on mails from the United States to Germany and announced that until direct transportation service was restored letters from this country to German destinations would be charged at a rate of five cents for the first ounce and three for each additional ounce.

THREAD PLANT ON FULL TIME.

2,500 Workers At Willimantic, Conn., Get Good News.

Willimantic, Conn.—Commencing on Monday more than 2,500 employes at the factory of the American Thread Company here will work on full time for six days a week, according to an announcement. The factory had been running four days a week for several months.

SPAIN TO BUY ARMS IN U. S.

Government Agents Start On Mission From Madrid.

Madrid.—Senor Oviedo, director of the Government armament works, and Lieutenant-Colonel Rivera, of the artillery, have started on an official mission to the United States to purchase arms from American manufacturers. It has been confirmed officially that the Spanish Government soon will purchase several aeroplanes from factories in the United States.

THREE CARS GO DOWN BANK.

Brakeman Killed In Third Fatal Accident In Two Years.

Metuchen, N. J.—The caboose and two cars of the Millstone freight on the Pennsylvania plunged 30 feet over an embankment at Essex street death curve. Brakeman James A. McCabe 37 years old, of Jersey City, was found dead under the wreckage, and two other trainmen were severely injured. Ice and snow on the rails caused the wreck, the third at death curve in two years.

HOUSE PASSES THE NAVAL BILL

Provides Two Dreadnoughts Over Strenuous Protest.

PERSONAL PLAN WINS OUT

Leader Underwood Led Curtailment Advocates, Using the Prospect Of a Big Deficit As Argument.

Washington, D. C.—Over a strenuous protest from Majority Leader Underwood the House in passing the Naval Appropriation bill retained provision for the construction of two dreadnaughts.

Representative Underwood declared the nation was facing a probable Treasury deficit next year of $35,000,000, and economy advocates led by him succeeded in striking out appropriations aggregating more than $6,000,000 for five submarines, a transport and a hospital ship.

The bill as it goes to the Senate carries $144,648,902, and authorizes the following construction program:

Two battleships of the largest and most powerful design, $7,800,000 each, exclusive of armor and armament.

Six torpedo-boat destroyers, $925,000 each.

One sea-going submarine torpedo boat, $1,400,000.

Eleven submarines, $550,000 each.

One oil fuel ship, $1,140,000.

The proposed hospital ships would have cost $2,500,000 and the transport $1,100,000.

Pacific Coast To Get Share.

An amendment was adopted authorizing the construction of three of the six destroyers on the Pacific coast. Five of the submarines are to be built there. The bill provides that any of the vessels authorized may be constructed in government yards, but Chairman Padgett, of the Naval Committee, explained that the New York plant, the only one to which a battleship might be given, already was working to its capacity.

All new legislation, including provisions for the creation of a naval reserve, for an aide for operations in the Navy Department to head a war board, and for creation of the rank of admiral and vice-admiral, were stricken from the bill several days ago. An effort will be made to have them restored in the Senate.

TURKS PUT TO FLIGHT.

British Troops Foil Attempt To Cross Suez Canal At Toussoum.

Cairo, via London.—The following official communication was issued here:

"During Tuesday night the enemy attempted to cross the Suez Canal near Toussoum (35 miles north of Suez). They were permitted to bring bridging material to the bank of the canal unmolested, but directly they started bridging operations our troops attacked and the enemy fled in disorder, leaving all the material in our hands. Several of the enemy were drowned.

"The enemy also attacked on the El Kantara front (40 miles south of Port Said) at daylight today. They were easily repulsed, losing 16 killed or wounded and 40 prisoners. Our casualties were three men wounded."

British forces had a skirmish with Turks yesterday in the neighborhood of Ismailia, on Lake Timsah, on the Suez Canal. The Turks finally retreated. The British had six men wounded.

NO CIGARETTES FOR TEACHERS.

Diplomas Withheld By Bill In Wisconsin Legislature.

Madison, Wis.—No educational institution of any kind which is supported in whole or in part by public money shall employ a teacher who smokes cigarettes, nor shall any institution grant a diploma or certificate of education to anyone who smokes cigarettes. Such are the provisions of a bill introduced in the Assembly by Representative McGovern.

SOLD HIS APPLES TO LONDON.

Virginian Sent 1,300 Barrels and For Some Got $9.07 a Barrel.

Luray, Va.—John J. Miller, former member of the Virginia Legislature from Rappahannock county, has just received his returns from 1,300 barrels of monogram pippin apples shipped to Liverpool, England. They show that Mr. Miller received $9.07 a barrel for the apples. Other cargoes netted him $8.50, $5.05 and $4.50 a barrel. Freight, handling and commission of $1.25 a barrel was charged against the apples.

VILLA PROCLAIMS HIMSELF PRESIDENT

Necessary By Extent of Territory Under His Control.

PICKS MEN FOR CABINET

Carranza Army Of 8,000 Is Defeated In Jalisco In Three-Day Battle, Several Hundred Being Killed.

El Paso, Texas.—General Villa practically proclaimed himself President of Mexico. He has assumed supreme political power and organized a civil government with himself as the head. His excuse was that interruption of communication has made it impossible to work in conjunction with his forces in the south.

Villa Gives Excuse.

He declared the zone he controlled was so extensive that an organized government was necessary.

The Cabinet named by Villa follows: Minister of Foreign Relations and Justice—Lic Miguel Diaz Lombardo.

Gobernacion and Communications—Dr. Luis de la Garza Cardenas.

Treasury and Fomento—Francisco Escudero.

These three men are among the ablest leaders of the republic. They have been acting as advisers to Villa for months. Villa will maintain his capital at Aguas Calientes temporarily.

Carranza Army Defeated.

Villista agents here were advised of the defeat of a Carranzista column of 8,000 men in the State of Jalisco by troops under the command of General Augustin Estranda. Several hundred were killed and wounded in the battle which lasted three days.

Official messages dealing with the defeat of General Benavides south of San Luis Potosi states that 200 prisoners, three trains, several cannon and other munitions were captured.

RAILROAD ORDERS HEAVY.

Big Equipment Contracts Are Being Awarded—I. C. Buys Cars.

New York.—The railroad equipment buying campaign is in full swing.

The Illinois Central has ordered 1,000 refrigerator cars from the American Car and Foundry Company.

In a week the Moss Tie Company's plant at Mount Vernon, Ill., will be operating with a full force. A recent contract with the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul for 350,000 chemically treated ties will keep the works at capacity for six months.

The Erie's rail requisitions have been increased to 28,000 tons and the "Soo" is in the market for 15,000 tons of rails. If satisfactorily low bids are forthcoming, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy will spend $1,000,000 for equipment, including engines and cars.

3,000,000 BRITISH.

English Army Estimates Give This Total, Exclusive Of India.

London.—The army estimates, to which Parliament will devote the first part of this week's session, give the number of effective men in the army, exclusive of those serving in India, at 3,000,000.

There is this year a novel change in the form of the estimates, as no totals of estimated expenditures are given. The vote under each of the 15 headings is set at the nominal figure of £1,000.

This gives the House of Commons opportunity for the discussion of each heading, while the government may spend whatever is necessary under these various headings to prosecute the war.

DARDANELLES BOMBARDED.

Shells From Torpedo Boats Fire Ammunition Depots.

London.—Four torpedo boats of the Allies have bombarded the Turkish forts in the Dardanelles, according to an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. One hundred and seventy-four shells were discharged and two ammunition depots were set on fire.

MAKES THREE STATES OF TEXAS.

Joint Resolution Introduced In the Senate.

Austin, Texas.—A joint resolution for an amendment to the State Constitution dividing Texas into three States was introduced by Senator W. L. Hall, of Wharton county. The States would be North Texas, capital, Palestine; West Texas, capital, Abilene, and South Texas, capital, Austin.

CHARMED AWAY TEN WIVES.

Head Of "New Religion" Accused Of Abduction By Husbands.

Kinston, N. C.—The "Rev." Thomas R. Miller, head of a new negro religion, was arraigned in the Municipal Court here accused of abducting the wives of 10 other men. The case was continued to permit the summoning of witnesses. Before the trial Miller, wearing a robe of many colors, headed a procession of the women who have accepted his doctrines.

AN $8,000,000 CONTRACT.

Government Saves $2,000,000 On Cost Of Envelopes.

Washington.—Postmaster Burleson awarded an eight million-dollar contract to the Middle West Supply Company, of Columbus, Ohio, which will furnish nine billion stamped envelopes to the government during the next four years. The Mercantile Corporation, with a plant at Dayton, Ohio, the present contractor, was the unsuccesful bidder at nearly $2,000,000 more than the Columbus company's bid.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. SELLERS, Acting Director of Sunday School Course Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.)

LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 14

SAMUEL CALLED TO BE A PROPHET.

LESSON TEXT—I Samuel 3:1-13, 19, 20.
GOLDEN TEXT—Speak, Jehovah; for thy servant heareth.—I Samuel 3:9, R. V.

Samuel was the last judge and the first of the order of prophets. His name means "asked of God," and he was dedicated to God (1:11) as a Nazarite. In fulfillment of his mother's vow he was brought to the temple when he was a young child (1:24), Josephus says, at twelve years of age. Hannah's song of rejoicing (2:1-10) is the expression of a great soul and a choice piece of literature. Samuel had the advantage of being well born, but after studying Eli's household we are not so confident as to the environment amid which he was placed.

I. Samuel's Vision, vv. 1-10. The young child entered heartily into the temple worship and duties as directed by the aged priest, Eli. This man was not faithful in giving the people the word of God. "It was rare" (margin) and the result was that "there was no frequent vision" (R. V.). The word is also "precious" (v. 1; Ps. 19:9, 10), though when it is as common as it is in this land men frequently set but little store by it. God will judge men for such laxity even as he judged Israel (Amos 8:4-6, 11, 12). A vision is a knowledge of a need and of the resources at our command. Eli and his sons had no vision and a people lacking in this direction perish (Prov. 29:18). Jehovah is about to make known to Israel his will and in so doing he passes over this indulgent father and chooses the child Samuel. Teachableness and obedience are the chief characteristics of childhood and these traits count for more with God than does age or experience (Matt. 11:25. I Tim. 4:12, Matt. 21:6). Samuel had not acquired the conceit of youth, he was faithful to his duties, respectful to his elders and did not boast of his accomplishments nor of the special revelation which came to him. Samuel slept in the holy place of the "sacred tent" near Eli, for the great temple was not yet built. As such he is a type for the Christian (Ps. 27:4). It was there that the Lord revealed himself to him (John 1:14 R. V. margin). One of Samuel's duties as the special attendant of Eli was to open the house of God every morning, also to tend the sacred lamp which burned from evening to morning (Ex. 27:20, 21). As he attended to these duties God made himself known to Samuel (v. 4). God frequently calls men and they are not at home but have gone into the far country. Samuel knew God as every devout worshiper knew him, but had not yet received a direct revelation, hence he "did not yet know Jehovah." Thinking at once of the priest, Samuel ran to receive orders or to render service. Had he disregarded the voice he would not in the end have received his clear revelation. To have closed his ears, turned over for further sleep or to have risen hesitatingly would, in all probability, have prevented any further calls (Prov 1:24, 25, 28). God wants, for special services, those who make glad response to his first call (Isa. 6:8; Luke 9:59-62; Acts 9:6). Three times the call comes and three times Samuel makes reply. There are three periods in the unfolding life that are most susceptible to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Nine to twelve, fourteen and fifteen, seventeen and eighteen are particularly open to impressions, especially if the child has had a religious atmosphere and training.

The teacher needs to be ever alert to take advantage of these opportunities to unfold and enforce the claims of Christ and to challenge an immediate decision of the soul. Happy are they who like Samuel hear and recognize, even though it be a progressive revelation, the voice of Jehovah, and hearing, obey it. There is little need at present for the audible voice, for we have the word and the still small voice of the Holy Spirit. The voice Samuel heard became a vision (v. 15). The Bible everywhere assumes that God speaks to men. We do not find him so much by searching for him, for he is made known ("manifested") in the person of his Son (I John 1:1, 2; John 17:6). God's calls to service may come at any period, but frequently they come very early. Hudson Taylor, founder of the wonderful China Inland mission, received his call at seventeen. Eli in times past must have heard Jehovah speak, else he would not have recognized who it was that was speaking to Samuel (chapter 2:27). Samuel's call was to service, to be a prophet. Our commission is to witness and to serve (Mark 16:15). Samuel received Jehovah's word not at Eli's side but in his own resting place; so God would speak to us when in our own place where he has put us. It is well for us to be sure we are truly hearing the voice of God (John 4).

II. Jehovah's Verdict, vv. 11-13, 19, 20. The chapter following tells of the defeat of Israel, the capture of the ark and the death of Eli and his sons. These were the things "at which both the ears of everyone that heareth it shall tingle." The word of Jehovah stands fast, and what he speaks that he performs "from the beginning even unto the end" (Luke 21:32, Numbers 23:19). The word of Jehovah to Samuel about the house of Eli was one calculated to strike terror and silence into the lad's heart. Eli was not ignorant of the wickedness of his sons (2:27-36). Eli learns from Samuel Jehovah's message. Eli was a great and good man, submissive to God's will, but he was a weak man, rather than just piously resigned. He might better have prayed for mercy and strength to deal with his wicked sons.

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HEROD'S ADVOCATES

A few greedy business men eager to exploit the children of Delaware, and a job lot of politicians, are trying to hound Miss Bissell out of the Child Labor Commission. The Morning News has joined the subsidized newspaper clique seeking the same end. In its columns of editorial assault upon the Child Labor Law and its foremost champion, Miss Bissell, it lacks the courage to do so openly and squarely, but chooses the ignobler way of innuendoes and slurs.

Hear the Pecksniffian cant with which it prefaces its cowardly task: "The News has felt a certain degree of hesitancy in discussing this matter" etc—"We trust we may venture to remark" etc! Faugh! it nauseates one. It were a deal more manly to avow its flat hostility to the law and its enthusiastic promoter, Miss Bissell, than try by ungenerous gibes and sneers to reflect upon that useful and public-spirited woman whose sole offence is that she has dared to uphold and enforce the Child Labor Law which that time-serving placeman, Gibbons, was treasonably doing his best to render a dead letter.

Any fool can see that the purpose of these editorial mouthpieces of Big Business is to break the present Commission, and thus in the end to defeat the law by securing the appointment of three male politicians who, they hope, will yet more effectively arrest its enforcement than did Gibbons himself. They especially want to get rid of the two women, on the Commission.

Here are some of the unmanly gibes the News vents upon Miss Bissell: "If the report of the Legislature Committee carries with it a condemnation of Miss Bissell" etc.—"If there is a rebuke of Miss Bissell" etc. "Mr. Mendinhall and Miss Bissell or perhaps we should say, Miss Bissell and Mr. Mendinhall etc!"

But in all its long tirades against the Commission and Miss Bissell, not a line, never a word, in favor of this noble Child Labor Law wherein, though late, Delaware takes its station among the 43 other states seeking to redeem helpless Childhood from out the clutches of soulless money grubbers! O no! all its interest and sympathy are expended upon that recreant employe Gibbons who served his masters so well in doing his best to make the Child Labor Law a sham!

After launching several mean slurs at Miss Bissell, the News indignantly asks: "And where does Gibbons come in? The investigation has directly affected him more than any of the members of the Child Labor Commission?"

Of course in its eyes, it is of small consequence what becomes of the law itself, of the Commission, or of Miss Bissell, so long as this incompetent feeder at the public crib holds the job whose duties he is dishonorably refusing to perform!

"Why could not the Commissioners have given Mr. Gibbons such a hearing as he asked"?—"Their method of dismissing Mr. Gibboons"!—"Their manner of dealing with a public official" (sic!)—and a lot more "Mr. Gibbons"!

Now let us look for an instant at the character of the services of this Gibbons about whose merited discharge, the News is so solicitous.

The records show that Gibbons acting by his clerk, issued from his office in 11 months 632 employment certificates, of which 455 were invalid! Durthose 11 months he was reporting weekly an average of 20 hours of office work on those very certificates, as he told the Commission's Executive Committee at the time, and the weekly reports, signed by him (still in their possession) prove the above statement—yet in face of all that, Gibbons has the audacity to pretend he "knew nothing about" those 632 employment certificates 455, or 72 per cent., of which were invalid!

Gibbons, as Inspector during his term of office issued 508 street trade permits. Investigation shows that 100 were wrongly classed and 325 were invalid. He has issued 55 special permits, of which 39, were incorrect and not in compliance with the law.

He refused to do necessary field work because he was too busy in his office issuing those invalid and illegal certificates and permits!

He made only 808 visits where the Ten Hour Law Inspector made 4000, despite the fact he had one, and often, two clerks, while the other Inspector had none, and she did much of his investigation work after May. This is the amazing record of Gibbons whose cause The News so earnestly espouses!

Knowing these damaging facts, The News has the impudence to contend that six of the eight members of the Commission had no night to discharge this grossly unfit employee without "a hearing," although the law expressly authorizes the Commission to do so "forthwith!"

Could any journal make a more shamelessly inane plea! A worthless hostler, or a lazy cook can not be discharged without a "hearing"! No doubt the News would give a tippling or incompetent typo such a "hearing" before bouncing him!

It is really a dishonor to decent journalism, as well as an affront to its readers, for The News to attempt on its editorial pages to dignify into an argument such an uncandid and silly quibble. Truly the foes of the Child Labor Law, and of its ardent friend Miss Bissell, are hard up for arguments!

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

GEORGE Washington! Abraham Lincoln! The noblest names in our country's history, and two of the most illustrious in all the world's history—the first, styled the Father of his country—the second, the Savior of it.

What are some of the things that made Lincoln great? The theme is so rich one can editorially but glance at it.

1. He was simple. So few of the men posterity's verdict has called great, were simple—few so truly as he ever dared be that. How Abraham Lincoln has glorified the lowly common people from whom he sprang! His humble origin was never his false shame, but ever his proper, glowing pride! How has he forever ennobled the commonest meanest things of life till Poverty's hard toiling has become glorious, and its cabin a palace! After his life, the poorest, lowliest American lad in cheap homespun may be potentially deemed the first citizen of the Republic.

As one looks abroad in the large arena of Nature—nay, observes in all the wide universe of God, what seems the highest exhibition of Omnipotence, the one thing most typical of Deity? Is it the terrific crash of elemental war, the awful spectacle of volcanic fires, or of hurricane swept oceans? Is it not on the contrary, simplicity, quietness?

When the prophet of old looked for a symbol of the Almighty, he found it not "in the great and strong wind that rent the mountains," nor in the earthquake," not yet "in the fire"—but "in a still, small voice."

The mightiest force in the universe is probably that unknown, mysterious something men call "the attraction of gravitation" which silently, but always and with resistless power, operates through all distances.

So, throughout his whole career, from the days of his rude frontier life when he wore walnut-stained jeans and even as a big lad slept like a kenneled hound in his leaf-lined crib, to his latest hour, when clothed with honor and dignity as the Chief Magistrate of a great nation he performed through a period of peculiar difficulty and peril a great task and achieved a unique immortality—the character of Lincoln, remarkable in its very simplicity, was as simple, as quiet, as modest as a child's!

2 He was honest and truthful. Transparently sincere and conscientious—all this was the great Lincoln. Though ever acting with the greatest tact, and capable when the public need demanded, of exercising the acutest wisdom and of employing the boldest policy with a Titan's strength.

These elements of moral greatness—truth, honesty, sincerity, were native qualities to his mind, and no stress of fate, no temptation, ever hindered in him their life-long operation; and because a whole nation had early come to know that he was true, true as the Pole star to its northern quality,—true to them and to the Union, they trusted him as implicitly as Deity himself, when in those awful hurricane days of disunion and war his strong, true hand wisely piloted the ship of state through every danger, past every shoal and rock, where a weaker hand, or one less absolutely true, might have made shipwreck of the Union and of the World's best hope of freedom.

3. He was humble—a deep humility was always a marked trait of his—humility, the rarest and divinest quality of greatness—seldom, indeed possessed by common greatness, but only by extraordinary greatness. For in truth—and it is spoken with all reverence—the character of Lincoln in its profound, unaffected child-like humility, reminds one of the like character in the Son of God himself, and that divine attribute lingered, unspoiled by power or renown, to Lincoln's latest hour. Still, along with this humble child-nature he possessed a will of iron firmness and a decision as keen and as incisive as steel!

4. Finally, Lincoln was kind, gentle patient. The great HEART in him was another quality strangely like the Christ's. His whole life may truly be summed up in a single word—philanthropy—altruism, for in truth through all his career he was a lover of mankind.

He lived for others and in his death fell a martyr to his great task of beneficence to the Nation, and of giving freedom to a whole race. But not only did his integrity bind his section unswervingly to him through five awful years of civil war, but in his big-heartedness he has since gripped to himself the whole Nation, friends and foes alike in a way that increasingly through the passing years has come to be something akin to an idolatrous worship of his fragrant memory.

MODERN FARMING

THE Transcript believing its farmer readers would welcome a brief, clear presentation of the leading subjects in agriculture, purposes to discuss a few of these plain things in farming

Not many years ago, farmers as a class turned up their noses at any suggestions from college professors on how to farm—dismissed their suggestions with some comtemptuous remark about "book farming" etc.

They thought these professors, because they had never worn cowhide boots, and with grimed hands followed the plow as it furrowed our mother earth, did not know as much about the secrets hidden in her bosom as did these horny-handed delvers themselves.

This refusal of farmers to adopt new and better methods reminds the writer of his visit once to a Cuban sugar plantation. In a huge vat were boiling thousands of galions of cane juice which must be cooked just so much and no more or a loss of hundreds of dollars would result. The fellow who was watching the process, refused to use the thermometer hanging on the wall to determine the degree of heat etc., but ever and anon withdrew his big wooden stirring paddle, and touching it with his finger, solemnly pulled thumb and finger apart, thus by "rule of thumb" to settle that nice question!

But in these days farmers have gotten well over sneering at this same "book farming," because they have found that the professors with their scientific ideas and methods have just about revolutionized farming.

To mention but a single improvement therein, Prof. Babcock's separator and scientific process of determining butter fat percentages, has literally created the modern industry of dairying in the United States.

So farmers who read—and many do nowadays—are waking up especially in the Western States, to the demonstrated fact that with the help of these scientists they can now get for their labors at least twice as much crop return as formerly.

To give one more illustration. After a few years' demonstration work on County Poor farms, short courses on farming in the Agricultural School, and lectures in a traveling Demonstrator Car, on better seed, better tillage etc., Prof. P. G. Holden, of the Iowa State College, so aroused the farmers of that state that in the past few years, $30,000,000, it is estimated, have been by this means added to the state's wealth through increased corn production alone!

This present Legislature can do the state no higher service than to make a yet more liberal appropriation to the Agricultural Department of Delaware College in order that the Experiment Station may improve and extend its work, and give our farmers and the youth of the state, better and cheaper facilities to learn scientific farming. There is but one other employment of state funds that can be compared with this in far-reaching ecocomic usefulness—viz. good roads.

Then let our farmers see to it that their views in this matter of a liberal treatment of the Delaware College Experiment Station, be made known to their representatives in the Legislature, to the end that greater advantages from modern scientific agriculture may be realized for the State.

So much by way of introduction to the theme. Next week we shall discuss the question of "Robber Cows."

Shoe Reparing

I have purchased a new electric machine for finishing my work, which enables me to turn out all work in the shortest possible time, and the finish is far surperior to hand-finished work.

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Public Sale

The undersigned, having rented the farm known as the "S. R. Warren Farm," 4 miles west of Townsend, Del., on the road leading from the Levels School House to Sassafras, Md. will sell at Public Sale without reserve

TUESDAY, FEB. 16TH, 1915

At 10 o'clock, A. M.,

The following described Personal Property, to-wit:

18 HEAD OF
Horses & Colts

No. 1. BELGIAN, a handsome bay stallion, 6 years old, weight about 1400 lbs, powerful muscle, excellent bone, and perfect conformation. He is a very stylish a very active big, horse, thoughly broken to all harness and a sure foal getter.

No. 2. JOHN, dark bay horse, 7 years old, weight about 1250 lbs., a great general purpose horse, one of the very best I ever owned, quiet and kind in all harness.

No. 3. TOM, dark bay horse, 7 years old, weight 1250 lbs. What has been said about No. 2 can also be said of this fellow and the two make an excellent team and should go together.

No. 4. MARCH, light bay horse, 6 years old, weight about 1300 lbs., perfectly built for strength and endurance, kind in all harness.

No. 5. FRANK, light bay horse, 7 years old, weight about 1250 lbs., built same as No. 4., and they make a team, for general purpose work, that I don't think can be surpassed in New Castle Co., they work together as one horse and should never be separated.

No. 6. SAM, jet black horse, 6 years old, weight about 1100 lbs., pretty as a picture and as good as he looks, works kind and prompt in all farm harness, both single and double, hut has never been driven single.

No. 7. BOB, jet black horse, 7 years old, weight about 1075 lbs. What has been said of No. 6, can also be said of him and they make an excellent team and one man should own them both. Would make a valuable team for an undertaker.

No. 8. ARCH, brown horse, 4 years old, good size, stylish and active. Broken to all farm narness but has never been driven single.

No. 9. PRINCE, brown horse, 4 years old, good size, very stylish and very active. Never been driven single but I believe he will make a valuable road horse. Him and No. 8 make a fine, noble team and should go together.

No. 10. HANNAH, brown mare 4 years good size, full of energy and of great endurance. Works very satisfactory in all double harness but has never been hooked single except to hand cultivator.

No. 11. KATE, bay mare, 12 years old, weight about 1300 lbs., never was a better one hooked anywhere. She is a noble brood mare, an excellent suckler, and has fine large colts and in foal.

No. 12. FLORENCE, black mare, 10 years old, weight 1100 lbs., good worker and good brood mare, has a colt every year, now in foal.

No. 13. SADIE, sorrel mare, 9 years old, good worker and good driver. An excellent brood mare, raises fine, large, smooth colts, has had a colt every spring for the last 5 years, and now in foal.

No. 14. MABEL, sorrel mare, 8 years old, good driver, thoroughly reliable in all harness, and in foal.

No. 15. NORA, bay mare, 4 years old, good size, good worker and in foal.

No. 16. MAY, sorrel mare, 5 years old, fine size, good worker, good driver, in foal.

No. 17 MAGGIE, sorrel mare colt, coming 3 years old, a good looker and well bred.

No. 18. STOKE, bay horse colt, coming 3 years old, unbroken. Anyone desiring to buy a good sound and reliable horse will not run any risk in buying at this sale, as I have raised all of the above horses except three, and have had them long enough to know all about them, they will be represented to be just what they are and will positively be guaranteed to be as represented, both as to quality and age.

34 HEAD OF
Cattle

Twenty-three head of which are superior milch cows, selected with great care, some in profit now, others will be by day of sale; 2 heifers, two years old; 3 Stock Bulls, two years old; 3 Stock Bulls, one year old; and 3 Weanling Bull Calves, nicely marked, all selected from my best cows. These cattle have all been raised by me and as I have kept a thorough-bred holstein herd bull, for the last 15 years and kept nothing except the calves from my best bows, I feel sure I am offering a herd of cows such as the public seldom have an opportunity of buying. Come buy and reap the benefits of my labor, my present herd bull, on the Ellis' Farm is San Jose Pontiac Creamelle Gerben 2d, No. 90799. This bull comes of the great Creamelle Dekol strain who gave 119 pounds milk, in 24 hours, which was the world record at that time. Several of the above cows are with calf by this bull, and the 2 yearling bulls and also 2 of the weanling bull calves are sired by him.

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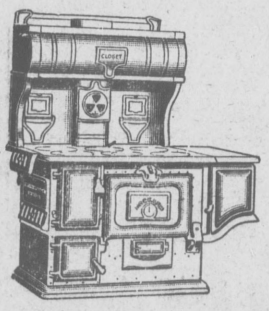

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Eggs, per doz	24@28
Country Butter, per lb	40@42
Creamery Butter, per lb	45
Lard, per lb	12@16
Live Chickens, per lb	12@16
Potatoes	30@45

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., FEB. 13, 1915

DELAWARE COLLEGE

On Monday, February 8, Prof. Short talked at the chapel exercises at Delaware College on the general subject of the best attitude of old students toward new students at the College. After telling about the efforts being put forth by trustees, faculty and alumni toward the recent rapid expansion of the college, he explained what he considered to be the function of the students in the development of a greater and better Delaware College. He said that every student in the College must feel that he is in a large measure responsible, through his conduct at college and away from college, for the respect which his alma mater is held throughout the state. He emphasized the fact that the practice of hap hazing, which once flourished at Delaware, is now considered disgraceful and that no true Delaware College student will stand for hazing in any form.

On Tuesday, January 9, Prof. Merrill Smith addressed the students on some remarkable work done recently in the writing of a great deal in very small spaces by a man named Webb. This man, said the speaker, wrote the entire Lord's Prayer on a piece of glass so small that on the same scale twenty Bibles could be written within a space an inch square. "It is easy to conceive" declared Prof. Smith, "that the memories of an entire life time might be written on the surface of the average brains."

On Wednesday, 1, Prof. Srager explained some of advantages of the small college over the large one. The three main reasons for his opinion were (1) that in a small college every student can be prominent in something, (2) that that the relations between that the faculty and students are closer, and (3) that the attitude of the graduate of a college is more likely to mean success than is the attitude of the large college or University.

AWARDED FOOTBALLS AND SWEATERS

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Council, the following men members of the Varsity football team were awarded either gold footballs or sweaters; footballs-Handy (Captain), Cann, Groff, E. Wilson, Grieves, Newton, Crothers, Taylor, Crawford, Little (manager); sweaters, Smart, Fidance, Gray.

DELAWARE COLLEGE LECTURES

Two of the most interesting and profitable lectures to be given at Delaware College this year should be that given by Professor Albert Bushnell Hart, of Harvard University, Saturday evening, February 13, on "The Tribulation of the Near East," and that ot Prof. J. A. Hudson, of the department of philosophy of the University of Missouri, Tuesday evening, February 23, on "The Probable Outcome of the World War."

Prof. Hart is one of the foremost authorities on history now living. He is the editor of a number of historical publications, and the author of more than a dozen standard works on history, especially American history. Prof. Hu son has done much valuable work in philosophy and history. He has made a wide reputation in the Middle West as a lecturer on various subjects.

Sergeant John Frazer of the military department of Delaware College has received word that his son, Donald W. Frazer, has been made first sergeant of the Eighty-first Company, C. A. C., of Fort Grant, Balboa, Panama.

HICK'S FORECASTS

Reactionary storm period is central on the 1st, 2d and 3d, of February. A change to warmer weather will pass from west to east over the most parts of the country on and touching the 1st, 2d and 3d, attended by falling barometer, cloudiness and rain—the rain turning to snow over central to northern sections of the country. The moon will be on the celestial equartor on the 3d, moving toward its south declination. The change to rising barometer and cold clearing weather, will reach most parts of the country, moving from west to east, from about to the 2d to the 6th.

Regular storm period extends over the 5th to the 10th, having its centre on Sunday, the 7th.

Reactionary period falls centrally on the 12th, 13th and 14th. The Venus disturbance will still contribute its influence, in connection with the Moon's conjunction with the Earth and Sun on the 13th. This conjunction of Moon, Earth and Sun is at an eclipse node, and will make itself felt in aggravated storms and seismic disturbances. A wave of warmer weather, falling barometer and sudden, severe storms of wind and rain, followed by snow and cold, will touch most sections, beginning far west, on and touching the 12th, 13th, 14th.

Regular storm period is central on the 19th, extending in its influence from the 16th to the 21st. The Moon is on the celestial equator on the 16th, and at first quarter on the 21st. Look for change to much warmer with falling barometer and possibly electrical storms the first days of this period, as the Moon is moving from south to north declination, bringing warm, electrical currents from the south. The 18th, 19th and 20th, are the culminating days of this period.

Reactionary storm is central on the 24th, 25th and 26th. Cold, disagreeable weather will prevail over most parts of the country, as February comes to its close. Under the influence of an oncoming regular storm period, change to warmer, with falling barometer, will be noted in extreme western parts of the country about the 27th and 28th. These conditions will increase and spread eastward during the opening of March.

SHERIFF'S SALES

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Lev. Fac., to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Gilpin House Hotel, in the town of New Cascle, New Castle Hundred, New Castle county, Delaware,

ON SATURDAY
THE 20th DAY OF FEB., 1915
at 11 o'clock, a. m.

The following described Real Estate, viz:

All those three certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in Pencader Hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

No. 1. Beginning for the parce hereby conveyed at a stone on the Delaware and Maryland line being a cornee of the land now or formerly of Jessd Boulden and Thomas A. Biddle and running thence north sixty-nine degrees east, seventy perches to corner stone for said Boulden's land, thence north thirty-six degrees west twenty-four perches to the land of Davidson D. Pearce; thence with said land south seventy-eight degrees west, eighteen perches; thence north eighty-three degrees south, twenty-four perches; thence north seventy-six degrees west, twelve perches to a stone on the west side of said road; thence north fifteen degrees west, forty perches to a Black Oak Stump on the State line; thence with said line to the place of beginning. Containing sixteen acres of ground more or less.

No. 2. Beginning at a stone a corner of land of the said James Anderson and in a line of the land formerly of Robert Price; thence with said land north, seventy-eight degrees west, six perches and five-tenths of a perch to a stone in said line; thence north eighty-seven and one-half degrees west, fourteen perches to a stone a corner for said lands formerly belonging to Price; thence with said land north sixteen degrees west, twenty-eight perches and one-tenth of a perch to a stone a corner in line of James Boulden's land; thence with his land north sixty-nine degrees east, eighteen perches and five-tenths to a stone a corner for this lot and land of Joshua Brown, thence by a line dividing this lot from land of Joshua Brown and James T. Anderson south sixteen degrees east, thirty-seven perches to the first mentioned stone and place of beginning. Containing three acres and three roods of land, more or less.

No. 3. Beginning at a stake in James Boulden's line and running with the second described parcel north sixteen degrees west, twenty-eight and one-tenth perches to a stake; thence with land of the heirs of Joshua Pierce south eighty-seven and one-half degrees east, six perches to a stake; thence north seventy-eight and one-half degrees east, eighteen and nine-tenths perches to a stake a corner for James Boulden's; thence with his land south fifteen and one-half degrees east, twenty-two and nine-tenths perches to a stake; thence south sixty-nine degrees west, twenty-four and four-tenths perches to the beginning.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of James H. Anderson, administrator of James T. Anderson, deceased mortgagor (Eliza Anderson, wife of said James T. Anderson, comortgagor, being also deceased) and to be sold by

HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 3d, 1915.

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Lev. Fac., to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Court House, on Market street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county, Delaware,

ON SATURDAY,
THE 20TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1915,
at 10 o'clock a. m.,

the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with the brick dwelling house thereon erected, known as No. 1811 West Second situate in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county and State of Delaware, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the northerly side of Second street, at the distance of eighty-one feet; five and one-quarter inches westerly from the westerly side of Scott steeet; thence northerly, parallel with Scott street and passing through the middle of the brick division wall between the house on this lot and the house adjoining on the east, eighty-two feet and five inches to a corner; thence westerly, parallel with Second street sixteen feet and seven-eighths of an inch to another corner; thence southerly, parallel with Scott street and passing through the middle of a two feet one and three-quarter inches wide alley, eighty-two feet and five inches to the said northerly side of Second street; and thence therewith easterly sixteen feet and seven-eighths of an inch to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may. With the free use and privilege of the above mentioned alley in common with others entitled thereto forever.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of James M. Davis and Minnie R. Davis, his wife, mortgagors, and Henry J. Long, terre tenant, and to be sold by

HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff.
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The following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain lot or piece of land with the buildings thereon erected, situate in the city of Wilmington aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of West street at the distance of one hundred and eighteen feet easterly from the easterly side of Eighteenth street; thence southerly, and parallel with Eighteenth street one hundred and forty-five feet ten inches to a corner; thence easterly and parallel with West street forty feet to a corner; thence northerly and parallel with Eighteenth street one huudred and forty-five feet ten inches to the southerly side of West street; and thence westerly along said side of West street forty feet to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of John T. McCracken (widower) mortgagor, and to be sold by HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 3, 1915.

SHERIFF'S SALES

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Lev Fac. to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale, at the Gilpin House Hotel, in the town of New Castle, New Castle hundred, New Castle county, Delaware, on

SATURDAY,
THE 13TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1915,
at 10 o'clock, A. M,

the following described Real Estate, viz:

All those two certain tracts, pieces or parcels of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate in Pencader hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware, on the Public Road known as Depot Road, leading from the P. B. and W. Depot to Dayett's Mills, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

No. 1. Beginning at a point in the centre of the public road leading from the town of Newark to the Welsh Tract Baptist Church and Cooch's Mills, being the Depot Road extended; said point being a corner for this land and lands now or late of David Smyth; thence by and with the centre of said public road south thirty-nine minutes west, six hundred and ninety-nine feet and sixty-three one-hundredth's of a foot to another point in the centre of said road and corner for other lands now or late of the said William J. Barnard; thence thereby south seventy-two degrees and fifty minutes west five hundred and sixty-six feet and forty-eight one-hundredths of a foot to a point, a corner for said lands now or late of David Smyth; thence thereby north eighteen degrees and twenty-seven minutes west six hundred and eighty-five feet and two-tenths of a foot to another point in said last mentioned land; thence still thereby north seventy-four degrees and one minute east, seven hundred and ninety-five feet and eighty-eight one-hundredth of a foot to the first mentioned point and place of beginning. Containing ten acres and fifty-eight one-hundredths of an acre of land, be the same more or less.

No. 2. Beginning at a point in the centre of said public road, a corner for lands conveyed by David C. Rose and wife to Herbert J. Watson; thence by and with the centre of said road south thirty-nine minutes west, three hundred and sixty-five feet and eighty-two one-hundredths of a foot to another point in said road and in line of other lands now or late of William J. Barnard; thence by and with said lands north eighty-nine degrees and twenty-one minutes west, seven hundred and seventy-five feet and forty-six one-hundredths of a foot to a point in line of lands now or late of David Smyth; thence thereby north fifty degrees and forty-eight minutes east three hundred and five feet and two-tenths of a foot to a corner for said lands now or late of Herbert J. Watson; thence thereby north seventy-two degrees and fifty minutes east, five hundred and sixty-six feet and forty-eight one-hundredths of a foot to the first mentioned point and place of beginning. Containing four acres of land, be the same more or less.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Herbert J. Watson and Florence R. Watson, his wife, mortgagors and t. t. s., and to be sold by

HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., January 27, 1915.

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Lev. Fac. to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale, at the Gilpin House Hotel, in the town of New Castle, New Castle hundred, New Castle county, Delaware, on

SATURDAY,
THE 13TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1915,
At 10 o'clock, A. M.,

the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain tract, piece or parcel of land, situate on South College avenue, in the town of Newark, New Castle county and State of Delaware, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit;

Beginning at an iron pin in the centre of South College avenue, said iron pin being one hundred and two feet from the point of intersection of the southerly side of Delaware avenue with the easterly side of South College avenue, and being a corner for lands now or late of Albert L. Lewis; thence by and with said lands now or late of Albert L. Lewis, south eighty-five and one-quarter degrees east two hundred and thirty-two feet and five-tenths of a foot to an iron pin in line of lands now or late of Anna Hossinger; thence thereby south twenty-six degrees and thirty-one minutes east one hundred and twenty-three feet to another point in said line and in line of other lands now or late of John P. Wilson; thence by and with said other lands now or late of John P. Wilson, north eighty-five and one-quarter degrees west two hundred and ninety-six feet and thirty-five one-hundredths of a foot to the centre of South College avenue; thence thereby north four and three-quarter degrees east, one hundred and five feet and two-tenths of a foot to the first mentioned iron pin and place of beginning. Containing two roods and twenty-two quare perches of land, be the same more or less.

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EXECUTOR'S SALE
—OF—
Real Estate

By virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of the State of Delaware, in and for New Cbstle County, made on the Twenty-seventh day of January A. D. 1915, will be exposed to sale at Public Vendue, on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, '15
At 2 o'clock, P. M.

At the MIDDLETOWN HOTEL, in the town of Middletown, St. Georges Hundred New Castle County, and State of Delaware, the following described Real Estate, late of Alexander Maxwell deceased, to-wit:

No. 1. All that certain farm or plantation situate in St. Georges Hundred from New Castle County and State of Delaware, on the public road leading from Forest Presbyterian Cemetery to the Cedar Lane Road, and commonly known by the name of "Dove's Nest" or "Old Saxony", bounded on the north by lands late of Henry A. Nowland and Robert T. Cochran, on the east by lands late of Robert T. Cochran, on the south by lands of John Cowgill Alston and lands late of Frederick Brady and the Forest Presbyterian Cemetery, and binding on Saw Mill Branch, and on the west by lands formerly of John Hayes, deceased, but late of Wilhelmina Maxwell, containing three hundred acres, more or less,

No. 2. All that certain lot or parcel of land, situate on the South side of Main Street, in Middletown, New Castle County and State of Delaware, having a front on said Main Street of forty eight feet and extending back between parallel lines one hundred and fifty feet; bounded on the east by lands of John F. Biggs, on the south by lands of Frances E. Comegys, on the west by lands late of Charles H. Howell, and on the north by said Main Street, having thereon erected a two story frame dwelling and other improvements.

Attendacce will be given and terms made known by,

JAMES B. MESSICK, Executor
of Alexander Maxwell, deceased. or by
Martin B. Burris, Esq., his Atty.

Attest: Frank P. Ewing, Clerk O. C., Wilmington, Dela., Jan. 27th, 1915.

Public Sale

The undersigned having sold his farm with the intention of moving to New York, will offer at Public Auction, at his residence, in Mill Lane, just north of the brick mill on

TUESDAY, FEB., 23, 1915
At 1 o'clock, P. M., sharp

the following property:

2 HEAD OF
Horses

No. 1. BELLE, bay mare, 19 years old.

No. 2. GOLDIE, bay filly, 3 years old in April next, has been worked some both single and double.

2 HEAD OF
Cattle

1 Grade Guernsey cow, 6 years old next March, she is due to freshen the 16th of March next. 1 heifer calf, 11 months old.

Farming Implements

1 One horse farm wagon, 1 runabout, 1 wheel-barrow, 1 Iron Age barrel sprayer, complete with hose and extension rod, used one seaon; 1 Auto sprayer, a lot of spraying material, 1 cutting box, 4 bags high grade fertilizer, 1 one-horse Wiard breaking plow, cultivators, 1 garden seed drill, 1 garden wheel hoe, hedge shears and knife, new; hoes, rakes, forks shovels, post hole auger and single trees.

4 Stands of Bees.

HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE—Consisting in part of, 1 walnut side board, 1 oak extension table, 1 marble top dresser, 3 rockers, chairs, floor matting, cook stove, 1 eight-day clock, tubs, pails, cooking utensils.

Some White Potatoes.

Lot of Hay and many other articles.

Terms of Sale

A credit will be given until January 1st, 1916, on all sums over $10, the purchaser giving his note with approved security. Interest at 5 per cent, annum from March 1st, 1915. All sums under $10 to be paid in cash. No goods to be removed until the above terms are complied with

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Public Sale

The undersigned, intending to remove to a smaller farm, will sell at Public Sale 1 1-4 miles east of Mt. Pleasant, on the "J. Frank Biggs farm."

WEDNESDAY, FEB., 17, 1915
At 10 o'clock A. M.,

The following described Personal Property, to-wit:

10 HEAD OF
Horses, Mules

No. 1. ALBERT E., black stallion coming 4 years old 27th, April, 1915, weighs 1345 lbs., judged to be one of the best 3 year old colts in the county. This is a real horse his make is perfect and will make a 1600 lb. horse.

No. 2. MARY ANN, bay mare 8 years old, weighs 1460 lbs. This mare has no equal, she is a fine family horse, good driver and will work to anything.

No. 3. LADY, black mare coming 4 years old. This is a very fine mare, broke to all harness. Sired by Caulk's horse, weighs 1350 lbs. in foal to Albert E.

No. 4 FRIDAY, sorrel mare, coming 4 years old, in foal to Albert E. This mare is broke to all harness and will make a fine mare, weighs 1150.

No. 5. JACK MARCH, by Prince March, coming 2 years old, bright bay with black points. I think this is the making of a great speed horse.

No. 6. Black mare mule, coming 2 years old. This an extra fine mule.

Nos. 7 and 8. BUPP and PUSS, pair black mare mules. 6 years old. I have owned this team 3 years, and I never worked a better team than this one.

Nos. 9 and 10. BECK and TOM, bay and brown mules, 8 years old. This is an extra fine team on the farm or the road. These mules road like horses. Very quiet, but a man's team.

20 HEAD OF
CATTLE

12 Milch Cows, Guernseys and Holsteins, 8 will be fresh by the day of sale. In this herd is Duchess Pauline, registered Guernsey papers go with her also, her 3 months old heifer calf. 1 Holstein Bull, 6 months old; 1 Guernsey Bull, 6 months old.

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All implements that are used on a farm, some good as new; collars, bridles, halters, blankets, also lot of harness.

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Strong Recommendation.

The guest sat down and frowned over the bill of fare in great perplexity.

"What's good today?" he inquired of the waiter.

"Stewed steak, sir," answered the other, promptly, and then, leaning over the table, he added, confidentially, "It's very good indeed, sir. The waiters are having it themselves."

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PAMELA'S VALENTINE

THE sales division of the Hutchinson company occupied the entire length of the building. It was well lighted and well ventilated, but every inch of space had been so utilized that the desks and tables were almost uncomfortably crowded. Hundreds of girls sat busily working with every appearance of industrious application, and above the whir and click of the typewriters came the noise of their ceaseless conversation.

The man who had immediate charge of this assortment of femininity was tall and thin, with keen dark eyes, a pleasant voice and an air of alert patience not easily described. His quick, restless movements and the manner in which he continually walked up and down the long aisles proved the possession of an intensely nervous temperament, but his unvarying patience and the even character of his quiet voice spoke of self-control. He looked not unlike an amiable but absent-minded brownie, as with his hair all rumpled up he walked between the rows of smiling girls, peering through his glasses in a nearsighted way.

It is no easy matter for any mere man to gain and hold the good will of several hundred girls of varying tempers and dispositions, but Mr. Miller had accomplished this. He was sincerely liked and respected by all the girls, who were accustomed to refer to him as "that darling old angel," while with equal candor, but much less enthusiasm, they described Mr. Morris, his assistant, as "an old stiff, as handsome as a prince, but as cold as a lemon sherbet."

"Mr. Miller has an awful cold," said Elizabeth, as the tall manager passed up the aisle snuffling and sneezing with an incipient attack of influenza.

"Yes; he's had it for several days," replied Margaret. "I saw him taking tablets yesterday."

"He's taking them again," returned Elizabeth. "See there, he's taking them again."

All eyes were turned in the direction of the unconscious manager.

"He'll be down with the grip presently," said Alice.

"He has it already," said Elizabeth.

"Why," said Pamela, innocently, "why doesn't his mother give him a hot mustard foot bath and a hot lemonade and put him to bed and cover him up warm; then he would soon get well."

A general smile greeted this naive suggestion.

"Maybe he hasn't got a mother, kiddo; why don't you suggest it to him yourself?" said Elizabeth.

"I couldn't," said Pamela, blushing to the roots of her hair.

"Don't mind me, Tutts," said Elizabeth, "I'm just teasing you. Listen, tomorrow is St. Valentine's day. I believe I'll send Mr. Miller a valentine, poor dear, just because he's sick."

"You wouldn't dare," said Miss Ellsworth, the tall girl who had charge of the table.

"Wouldn't I?" said Elizabeth; "you just wait."

She scribbled busily away for a few minutes and then handed over the following screed adorned with a circle in inky-red hearts.

Love is such a funny thing,
It's something like a lizard;
It winds itself around your heart,
And nibbles at your gizzard.

"Well!" said Miss Ellsworth in disgust, "if you are going to send a valentine, send one; don't send a thing like that. It isn't even decent."

Elizabeth sat nibbling her pen handle pensively as the verse was passed around among the girls. It was at this psychological moment that one of the errand boys came around the table and placed in front of Pamela a small, square box neatly wrapped in white paper and tied with a gilt cord. Elizabeth's eyes widened with excitement:

"A valentine! Oh, kiddo," she said enthusiastically, "some one has sent you a valentine."

"Oh, no," said Pamela, quite positively.

"Oh, yes," said Elizabeth. "Open it. Let's see!"

Sure enough when the box was opened it disclosed a very pretty valentine, all pink roses, flying doves and gilt arrows. The heart in the center bore in fancy script the following sentiment:

Without thee, dear, 'tis summer without sun,
Or springtime with no fair and fragrant flowers,
But with thy love, dear heart, my life doth run
In golden streams and through bright fairy bowers.

The expression of surprise on Pamela's face deepened into amazement as she read the neatly typewritten note which accompanied the valentine:

Miss Pamela Alderson,
Care of the Hutchinson Company.
Dear Miss Alderson:

I think you are the most beautiful girl in the world, and I love you with all my heart.

Your faithful friend,
Arthur Eustace Henderson.

"Oh, Pamela," whispered Elizabeth gleefully, "it is from your sweetheart!"

But Pamela shook her head very positively.

She was entirely in the dark as to the identity of Arthur Eustace Henderson. She had not a single young man acquaintance in the city, and was quite free from the usual entanglements of youth. Hardly more than a child, her life had been hedged about with peculiar carefulness, and until this moment she had not met with the tiniest whisper of romance.

It seemed like an age before she was free to hasten to the shabby little apartment, so poor in its appointments, so rich in its unpurchasable atmosphere of love.

Her mother smiled gently at the girl's evident excitement. She thought the valentine very pretty, and suggested that the name of the sender sounded quite English and distinguished. Her brother Don laughed heartily at what he called the young man's masterful manners, but romantic Aunt Eugenia was unfeignedly delighted. She advanced all sorts of surmises as to the gentleman's identity, and by bedtime had reached the conclusion that he was a junior member of the firm who had fallen desperately in love with Pamela, and might be shortly expected to woo her and carry her off to a life of luxury and affluence.

Who Arthur Eustace Henderson was indeed was a mystery. The Aldersons were acquainted with few people in the city. He did not belong to the church they attended; there was no young man of that name employed in Mr. Miller's division. His name was not even in the city directory. Who was he? Whoever he was, he evidently preferred to remain a mystery, for as the days passed by he made no sign, which in itself was surprising. For a short while Don kept up his teasing remarks about Pamela's unknown admirer, then he dropped the subject. The incident was soon forgotten—that is by all except Pamela. Her imagination had been touched and her family would have been surprised had they known how large a part of her thoughts was occupied by the unknown sender of her valentine. In these girlish dreams to which all maidens are prone a handsome young gentleman now figured. He had dark, soulful eyes, a graceful, manly form and patrician features. His name was Arthur Eustace Henderson.

The Hutchinson company did little night work; the girls were seldom required to work overtime. Occasionally a few girls were asked to remain and help rush through an accumulation of business matters. On one of these occasions some of the workers of Mr. Miller's division were asked to stay, and Pamela was among them. It was a few minutes past nine when she passed through the storm doors to join her brother, who she knew was outside waiting for her. There was no real reason for Don to come down to walk home with her when she worked late, for several of the girls went her way, and Billiken, the office boy, always went in that direction. Pamela was quite attached to the little fellow who so willingly filled her ink bottle and kept her supplied with scratch tablets.

"Billiken," she said pleasantly, as the boy would have fallen to the rear at sight of her handsome escort, "this is my brother Don, who knows you quite well already, for I have often told him how kind you are to me."

"Young man," said Don, with a cordial grip of his hand, "I am glad to make your acquaintance, and to thank you for your courtesies to my sister."

Billiken's face opened into a tremendous grin.

"Ah," he said, twisting with embarrassment, "that ain't nothin'. Anybody would be nice to her."

"Yes," said Don, with a smile, "I think anybody with good judgment would."

They walked down the street together, Donald holding fast to his sister's arm to prevent her slipping on the icy pavement. "Your young friend's cognomen," said Don, presently, "is highly descriptive but rather confusing. What is your patronymic, young fellow?" he said, turning to Billiken.

"Sir?" said Billiken confusedly.

"Your name," said Don pleasantly, "your real name."

"Oh," said Billiken, his face brightening, "my name? Arthur Eustace Henderson. That's my name."

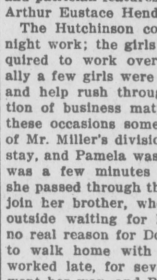
For a second Don stopped stock still in amazement, but he recovered himself immediately.

"A very nice name," he said agreeably.

"Yessir," said Billiken.

Donald stole a look at his sister's face. She was crimson with confusion. Her lids were downcast and he could see nothing of the expression of her eyes.

They walked a few blocks farther in silence. The Alderson rooftree was reached at last. Then Billiken passed up the street, whistling as he went.



Donald managed to keep silence until the door was closed on the youthful cavalier. Then he broke into a hearty unrestrained laugh that was good to hear. There was a faint smile on his little sister's face, but a suspicion of tears in her eyes. She stared at him a moment in silence and then she, too, laughed uneasily.

"Well," said Don, taking her into his brotherly embrace, "aren't you glad we've found out who he is?"

"Yes," said Pamela faintly.

"Well," said Don, giving her a great bear's hug, "I am certainly relieved to know it was only the office boy."

But Pamela made no reply.

His Prize.

"Did your son take anything at school this season, Mrs. Jones?"

"Oh, yes."

"What did he take? The first prize?"

"No; the mumps."

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HOW A GIRL MAY DRESS ECONOMICALLY AND WELL.

Wisdom in Selecting Materials for Costumes Is the Main Point—Accessories Also a Matter of Importance.

A girl living at home with parents in modest circumstances should get along with one suit a year, writes Mrs. Elizabeth Lee in the Philadelphia Ledger. One year she will buy a winter suit, the next year one for spring and fall. Unless the suit has to be made to order, it should be got for about thirty dollars. She should have at least one evening dress each winter for formal occasions, with one or two others made over from last year. One toilet may be a pretty blouse worn with a plain skirt of black satin. This will answer for matinee, teas or informal evening wear.

Twenty dollars will buy a pretty dancing frock, because it should be very simple only. Then one can make changes by adding a sash or a flower corsage, perhaps. Ten or fifteen dollars will probably be expended in materials for making over the other dresses and paying the dressmaker for a couple of days' work.

Little house dresses a girl can make herself. Four yards of a woolen plaid will make a morning dress. Three dollars and fifty cents will pay for it. Then she will want a separate skirt, $3, and a couple of blouses at $1.50 or so each.

Afternoon dresses of ratine, cotton voile or challie trimmed with a little black satin cost very little. Fifty cents a yard is a fair price. A long wrap—about $25—suitable for afternoon and evening wear, is a necessity, and possibly a raincoat. Hats cost just what one cares to pay for them; $10 is ample for the best one and $5 for the other. Four a year is none too many.

In addition to this list a girl needs for warm weather two or three cotton frocks, a best dress of simple silk or silk-and-wool, costing $15 to $20; a linen skirt and three shirt waists.

If she will watch the lingerie sales, a girl can keep herself neat on $10 a year. Stockings can cost what one pleases, according to the care given them. Fifteen dollars a year should keep one well shod.

For accessories a girl should be allowed as much as a parent can afford for such things, because accidents will happen no matter how careful one may be.

A new pair of gloves may split, for instance, and so become worthless, or the rain may spoil a hat or any delicate accessory.

FOR NECK AND SHOULDERS

Simple Exercises, Faithfully Kept Up, Will Be Found to Greatly Improve Appearance.

It is a great thing to be properly proportioned, and the woman who is fortunate enough to have a lovely neck and shoulders should take the best of care of them. Since the new evening gowns are cut low with a strap over the shoulders, it will not be out of place to give a few hints about developing the neck.

Deep breathing will add more to the flesh on your neck and shoulders than you would be inclined to believe at first. Open your windows wide before you go to bed; wrap a warm, loose dressing gown around you and stand beside the window. Now take five of the longest breaths you can. It is better not to increase the number for a few days, as too many long breaths at once are likely to make you dizzy if you are not accustomed to them.

Leave your window wide open while you sleep, taking care that you are well covered, or a cold will follow. In the morning, before you dress, repeat the following exercises ten times: Place the hands on the hips, resting lightly on the soles of the feet, with the shoulders well back. Inhale deeply, entirely filling the lungs, and exhale slowly until all the air is exhausted. Vary this by exhaling suddenly.

NEW BLOUSES AND SKIRTS

Chiffon, Lace and Net Retain Popularity for the Finer Garments—Sleeves Are to Be Long.

Chiffon, lace and net remain the favored fabrics for fine blouses, while crepe de chine is the exquisite material for shirts for ordinary wear. To go with the tailored suit there are attractive models whose plainness is relieved by touches of hemstitching and hand embroidery done in self-tones. The work is scattered down the front and on the shoulder.

The cape blouse introduced early last season did not meet with the success anticipated for it. Nevertheless, from it has been evolved a type of waist that shows the superstructure of lace sagging very much at the back above the waist line and giving the suggestion of the page cape, from which it undoubtedly has been originated.

Almost without exception the sleeves are long, and there is good reason to believe that the incoming modes will maintain such effects. The length, however, does not mean discomfort, because the sleeves are cut with increased width from elbow to wrist.

While many of the blouses exploit the set-in sleeve, there are worthy examples of the raglan and kimono type in the new schedule. As a matter of fact, the preference appears to be for the raglan style.

REMOVING THE FADED SKIN

Beauty Specialist Strongly Recommends Use of Aseptic Wax for the Purpose.

"Inasmuch as I am an old specialist in all that concerns beauty and the necessary cares for its preservation, I am very favorably impressed by the growing success of the new process of 'absorption' which is of the most simple nature," says a specialist. "Hundreds of women make use of this process in the intimacy of their homes, and I am convinced that their theory of destroying skin which has become yellow, wrinkled and spoiled must be correct. Once the skin has been spoiled by exposure to the sun or wind, or by the abuse of cosmetics, bad soaps, powders, etc., there is only one way: that is to make it disappear, because it is hiding a fine, velvety skin which only is waiting to appear in its freshness. To destroy the ugly layer of skin one has only to apply a small quantity of pure aseptic wax, to be had at any pharmacy. It has to be applied a few evenings as one would cold cream, and it will absorb the wrinkled and yellow skin. Aseptic pure wax is a perfectly harmless substance which gives astonishing results. This ingenious method is really worth while trying."

DICTATES OF FASHION

Cape effects prevail among the wrap styles.

The afternoon coat is usually made of a rich pile fabric.

Black satin linings are being used in the best tailored suits.

The top of the new laced gaiter topboot is either dark gray or fawn buckskin.

Evening cloaks of white velvet, trimmed with ermine or dark fur, are very smart.

Some of the new skirts dip front and back, being raised at the sides, but not showing any petticoat.

Six inches from the floor and plaited to unhampering fullness describes the trend of the new skirts.

Silver filigree effects done on both jet and onyx are observed. These, with pins and combs, which offer handsome designs made of rhinestones, diament or pearl incrustations, are now on sale.

MILLINERY FOR THE SPRING

Some Novel Effects Are Promised When the Warm Weather Makes Them In Order.

There will be many fantasies and ribbons used as trimming on hats for the spring.

The tilted-up-at-the-back line will be notable for afternoon hats. This is again appropriate for the ruffled effects in dresses and the quaint sugar-scoop hats with velvet ribbons and banked with flowers will be in vogue.

There will be an increase in the height of the crowns of spring shapes. Some will be almost ridiculous. There will be two or three sections in many of the browns. This is, of course, extreme, but the tendency is shown in the advance models.

As there is a great supply of flowers of silk coming from England, there will be an emphasis placed on this type of trimming. Several new factories have been started since the war and this will be a steady feature for some time. The return of the floral crown is to be welcomed as a simple and effective way of trimming a hat of almost any shape.

Small military capes will be continued for spring and summer. These in fine and coarse straws will appeal to women who like a smart simplicity of line.

Striped ribbons in brilliant contrasting colors will be used on straws of neutral shades. One favorite ribbon is a faille with a bright border.

A Color Symphony.

The idea of having waistcoat, bag, shoes and even gloves to match is rather attractive, if the color or colors are not too striking, and I saw a woman with a dark blue tailormade and tan trimmings who had carried it out well indeed.

To Keep Feathers Beautiful.

Feathers of the ostrich, soiled and unsightly, can be made beautiful by drawing through suds made of ivory soap, then rinsing and placing on paper in a warm, not hot, oven, to dry.

TAILLEUR COSTUME

A smart tailleur of shepherd check cloth, for Pullman wear on the southern trip, has a ripple skirt flaring widely, and flaring skirted smart coat. Two smart buttons of jet and pearl form a pretty trimming, and the collar and cuffs of black faille add sort of a military suggestion.

HOME TOWN HELPS

SEEK TO INTEREST RAILROADS

Residents of California City Urge Them to Beautify Their Rights of Way.

At a recent meeting of tree planters in a California city it was resolved to request the various chambers of commerce in that part of the state to urge the railroads to beautify their rights of way, particularly their approaches to cities, all of which are slovenly and none of which are good.

The subject of railroad gardening has been agitating the whole country for many years, and it has finally been determined that hardy, drought-resistant shrubs offer the best material for permanent beautification. It is not advisable to obscure too much of the station or station grounds, for obvious reasons; therefore, few trees and many shrubs should be used, with very few flowering plants, for the latter require care, and railroads are most economical in matters where no direct financial return is assured.

Could the embankments be planted with low-growing, low-priced drought-resistant flowering shrubs and among these sown seed of native wild flowers, we would have a beautification scheme of effectiveness at low cost that would stand for all time to come with a minimum of care and expense; yet one that would forever transform present ugliness into tracts of beauty.

KEEPS TREES IN CONDITION

Device of German Expert Provides for Their Systematic Watering and Ventilation.

A very ingenious and practical device for assuring the trees on city sidewalks a sufficient supply of water no matter how dry the season and how hard baked the earth, has recently been put in operation in Strassburg by Mr. Sauer, the city tree inspector. It consists of a tube of iron or lead bent into the form of a ring large enough to encircle the stem of the tree. The earth is removed so that this ring may be placed just above the roots, and is then filled in again, leaving the end of a pipe connecting with the ring projecting above the surface of the ground. The top of the ring is pierced with a large number of small holes, and a tin cover or shield prevents these from becoming stopped up with earth. By means of a funnel in the protruding end of the pipe any desired amount of water may be supplied to the roots without waste or loss of time. A further advantage, according to Prometheus, is the ventilation thus secured of the earth in the vicinity of the roots—Scientific American.

Cultivating Vacant Lots.

Vacant lot gardening has greatly increased in Philadelphia during the last year. More than six hundred families were engaged in the healthful and remunerative work of cultivating the spaces of idle land in various sections of the city. The work is carried on under the direction of the Philadelphia Vacant Lot Cultivation association. Since its organization in 1897 this organization has accomplished much in affording opportunity for self-help in Philadelphia. It secures the temporary use of idle land and assigns gardening thereon to people who are in need of money, as well as a healthful occupation. Not only by this scheme is a chance for healthful and profitable work afforded, but it prevents these vacant spaces from being used as unsightly dumping grounds.

Life Jobs on a Farm.

A farm for the benefit of "silver" or unskilled workmen thrown out of employment by the completion of the Panama canal has been established by the government on the Canal zone. There are now about one hundred men on this farm, all of whom are earning a comfortable living for themselves. Nearly all these farmers are crippled, some having lost an arm or a leg or having been incapacitated in some other way for hard work. The farm grows bananas, oranges, cocoanuts and other tropical products and is stocked with cows, chickens, ducks and pigs. It is managed by the medical corps of the United States army. Each workman is to have a life job on the farm.

How to Clean Up Yards.

It has remained for a picture show man to clean up a Kansas town in a most effective way, and by a simple method. He offered a free ticket to his show for a limited time to any boy who could bring a certificate from his mother that he had thoroughly cleaned up the back yard, and some three hundred boys—about all there are in the town—got on the job. There are great possibilities in a scheme of that kind; it can be made to do almost anything.

Road of Success.

Author—It'll be a fine feather in your cap if you produce this play.

Manager (glancing over scenario)—I'll be the goat—why?

Author—Why, you'll have the laugh on the 19 short-sighted managers who turned it down!—Puck.

A Troublemaker.

"What sort of a fellow is he?"

"A troublemaker."

"He seems peaceable enough."

"I know, but he's the sort of a blundering chap that denies all the lies you've told your wife."

Luxurious Travel.

Tired Tobias—Say, Dusty, wot would youse do ef youse wuz a millyunair?

Dusty Darius—I'd hav er private car wid er feather bed on de trucks.

THIS WOMAN'S SICKNESS

Quickly Yielded To Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Bridgeton, N.J.—"I want to thank you a thousand times for the wonderful good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I suffered very much from a female trouble. I had bearing down pains, was irregular and at times could hardly walk across the room. I was unable to do my housework or attend to my baby I was so weak. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did me a world of good, and now I am strong and healthy, can do my work and tend my baby. I advise all suffering women to take it and get well as I did."—Mrs. FANNIE COOPER, R.F.D., Bridgeton, N.J.

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If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

Women's Parents.

Mrs. Bacon—I see that nearly four hundred women applied for patents in England last year.

Mr. Beacon—Why, I didn't know there could be as many devices for keeping husbands home nights as that.

Trying to Forget.

He—Don't you remember me?

She—Why should I?

"We were engaged to be married last summer at the beach."

"Yes; but don't you recollect you told me to forgive and forget you?"

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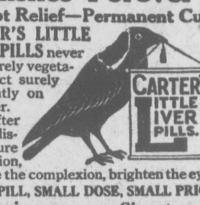

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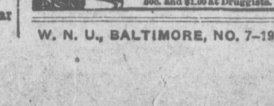
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for the 70 per cent. the lawyer receives his practice from only 70 per cent, because the 30 per cent. has gone to the mail order houses and with it, some of his clients have moved away, the church is cut in the contributions, because the merchants' profits is only on 70 per cent. of the goods sold, while the balance of 30 per cent has gone to the mail order houses where the profits go to the individual stock holders and high salaried employes, and the merchants of the country and other states stand outside of the house of prosperity, looking at the few towns fattening off of their own 100 per cent. prosperity and business and our 30 per cent free of tax to them, while we chatter and shuffle along on 70 per cent. business with 100 per cent taxation.

A mail order business is a business that secures all of its orders by mail, or without personal salesmen.

You will notice that the bill refers to interstate mail order business and it is impossible for our state legislature to regulate or tax the mail order houses doing an interstate mail order business and our only resource for a just tax is by the passage of this bill placing this tax, which is legal, by the United States Government, for the benefit of each state.

If you are interested in the passage of this law, we will appreciate your writing to your Senators, Congressmen, and this committee referred to and also dropping us a line telling what progress your section is having in the enactment of the just tax legislation.

Yours very truly,
RETAIL FURNITURE DEALERS' ASSOCIA. OF TENNESEE

SALES TO TAKE PLACE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY, 15th, 1915.—Public sale of stock, farming implements, &c., by Urie P. Ginn, on the "George Houston farm," 2 1-2 miles from Mt. Pleasant. D. P. Hutchison, auc.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1915.—Public Sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by Thomas Lattonius, on the farm known as the S. R. Warren Farm, 4 miles west of Townsend, Del. D. P. Hutchison, Auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1915.—Public sale of stock, farm implements, &c., by Harry Isaac, near Mt. Pleasant. D. P. Hutchison, auc.

FRIDAY, February 19th, 19th, 1915.—Public sale of stock, farm implements, &c., by Thomas Maloney, on "Biggs Farm," 2 1-2 miles south of Glasgow, on the State road. Eugene Racine, auc.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23d, 1915.—Public Sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by L. E. Druley, on the Droll farm, near the Brick Mill. JOSEPH M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1915.—Public sale of cattle and hogs by J. F. Fox on the Long Island farm on the road from Odessa to Silver Run. D. P. Hutchison, Auctioneer.

WARWICK

Mrs. Benjamin Hall is spending some time with Middletown relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Ginn, of Mt. Pleasant, were callers in town on Wednesday.

Judge Merritt attended the regular meeting of the Orphans' Court Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mullin, of Porter, wife Sunday guest of Mr. and S. D. Wilson.

Mr. Frank Bernard Jr., of Kennett Square, was a week-end guest of Miss Mame Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Eaton are visiting their daughter Mrs. Bayard Joodan near Kirkwood.

Mr. James Reynolds, Colorado, is spending some time with his mother Mrs. E Gunkel who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bishop, of Chesapeake City, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Meritt Jr., on Wednesday.

Searches for Relatives

James McDonald, a prosperous farmer of Georgetown, has begun a search for the members of his family from whom he has been separated 23 years. He feels certain that his parents are both dead, but remembers several brothers and sisters.

McDonald was brought to Georgetown from the Southern District Children's Home of Philadelphia, when he was about nine years of age, and was placed under the care of Morey Rogers, a farmer of Georgetown. In the course of time he purchased a farm for himself and is now one of the prosperous farmers of the county.

McDonald thinks that his parents were both dead when he was taken from the home, but he remembers a brother named Archie, and a sister whose name he has forgotten. Through the efforts of former Senator W. F. Blackstone, a search has been instituted in Philadelphia for the missing members of the family,

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SHERIFF'S SALES

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Lev. Fac., to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Court House, on Market street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county, Delaware,

ON SATURDAY,
THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1915,
at 10 o'clock, a. m.,

the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain piece or parcel of land with the dwelling house thereon erected, situated in the city of Wilmington and State of Delaware, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on the northerly side of Second street at the distance of twenty-five feet easterly from the easterly side of Broome street; thence easterly along the northerly side of said Second street sixty-five feet to a corner; thence northerly, parallel with said Broome street twenty-four feet six inches to a corner; in line with the middle of the division wall between the house on this lot and the house adjoining on the north; thence westerly parallel with said Second street, passing through the middle of said divison wall sixty-five feet to a point distant twenty-five feet easterly from the easterly side of Broome street measured at right angles thereto; thence southerly, parallel with said Broome street twenty-four feet six inches to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may. Together with the right of the use for a grass plot or shrubbery of all that lot or piece of land lying directly in front of the lot hereby conveyed and between the westerly line thereof and Broome street, but not to erect any building thereon or place anything on the same which will obstruct the free admission of light and air forever.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Saunders C. Dillion and Sophie S. Dillion, his wife, mortgagors, and to be sold by

HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 10, 1915.

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ON SATURDAY,
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the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the brick dwelling thereon erected, situate in the city of Wilmington, county of New Castle and State of Delaware, more particularly bounded and described as follows to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the easterly side of Van Buren street and the northerly side of Beech street; thence northerly along said side of Van Buren street twenty-one feet and six inches to a point in the middle of the partition wall between the house on this lot and the house on the lot adjoining on the north; thence easterly and parallel with Beech street through the middle of said partition wall about fifty one feet to a line of land now or formerly of John W. Johnson; thence thereby southerly and parallel with Van Buren street twenty-one feet and six inches to the aforesaid northerly side of Beech street; and thence thereby westerly about fifty-one feet to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of The Eleventh Ward Democratic Club, incorporated, a corporation of the State of Delaware, mortgagor and to be sold by

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Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 11, 1915

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ON SATURDAY,
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the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain lot or piece of land, with two frame houses thereon erected (designated as lots No. 1 and 2 of lot No. 6 of the order and advertisement divided by permission of the Court and now described as one lot sold at public sale February 19, 1881) situate in the city of Wilmington aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the northerly side of Fourteenth street, between Claymont and Heald streets, at the distance of one hundred and eighty feet westerly from the westerly side of Claymont street; thence northerly, parallel with Claymont street seventy-five feet six inches to a stake; thence easterly, parallel with Fourteenth street thirty-six feet six inches to a stake; thence southerly parallel with Claymont street seventy-five feet six inches to the said northerly side of Fourteenth street and thence thereby westerly thirty-six feet six inches to the place of beginning. Be the contents thereof what they may.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Mary A. Bradley, administratrix de bonis non of Annie Rowe, deceased, and to be sold by

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the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain lot or piece of land, with a two-story brick dwelling house thereon erected (known as No. 1216 Heald street), situate in said city of Wilmington, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Heald street at the distance of fifty-nine feet nine inches northerly from the northerly side of Twelfth street; thence easterly, parallel with Twelfth street, sixty-five feet; thence northerly, parallel with Heald street, fourteen feet; thence westerly, parallel with Twelfth street and passing through the middle of the division wall between the house on this lot and the house adjoining on the north, sixty-five feet to a point in the said easterly side of Heald street, and thence thereby southerly fourteen feet to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of William C. Guthrie and Annie V. Guthrie, his wife, mortgagors, and to be sold by

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the following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the brick dwelling house thereon erected situate in the city of Wilmington, aforesaid, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the easterly side of Hancock street at the distance of one hundred feet southwardly from the southerly side of Lovering's avenue thence eastwardly, parallel with Lovering avenue one hundred feet to the westerly side of a certain five feet wide alley leading into Lovering avenue and running parallel with Hancock street; thence southwardly along the said side of said alley sixteen feet and eight inches to a corner; thence westwardly, parallel with Lovering avenue and passing through the middle of the division wall between this house and the house next adjoining on the south one hundred feet to the aforesaid easterly side of Hancock street, and thence thereby northwardly sixteen feet and eight inches to the place of beginning.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of William Medholdt and Josephine L. G. Medholdt, his wife mortgagors and t. t.'s and to be sold by

HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 11, 1915.

Proposals!

PROPOSALS FOR $6,000.00 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

Sealed Proposals will be received by the undersigned at the office of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Middletown, Delaware, up to Friday evening, February 26th, 1915, at 8 P. M., for an issue of Bonds to be known as the Bonds of the Commissioners of the Town of Middletown.

The issue will be for $6,000.00 to refund part of the outstanding indebtedness of the said Town of Middletown and authorized by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware approved the eighth day of February, A. D., 1915, and will bear date March 1, 1915, and mature in twenty years from date, (or March 1, 1935) with the privilege of redeeming said Bonds after the expiration of ten (10) years.

The Bonds will be coupon form of the denomination of $1,000.00 each and bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually.

Bids for the Bonds must be accompanied by certified check for ten per cent. (10 per cent.) of the amount of the Bonds bid for; the same to be applied to the purchase price if the bidder is successful, or returned if not. The right to reject any or all bids is expressly reserved.

All bids must include interest from March 1st, 1915, to day of delivery. Bids will be publicly opened and read at a meeting of the said commissioners at the Town office on the day and hour aforesaid.

DR. E. G. CLARK, President.

Address all communications to D. W. Stevens, Clerk, Middletown, Del aware.

Bonded indebtedness of Town including this issue $29,000.00. Assessed value of Town $690,202.00.

Dog Ordinance

SECTION 1.—All persons owning dogs within the said Town, shall apply at the office of the Town Clerk for a tag to be duly numbered. and it shall be the duty of the owner of such dog or dogs, to place the same upon a collar to be worn by each dog. Each applicant shall pay to the Clerk the sum of One Dollar for each tag. And it shall be the duty of said Clerk to enter in a Registry to be kept for that purpose, the name of each applicant, and the number of the tag issued to him.

SECTION 2.—On and after the first day of March A. D. 1915, all dogs found running at large in the streets or elsewhere, within the limits of said Town, without a collar and tag duly issued under the provisions of this Ordinance, will be impounded for a period of 24 hours, and if the owner does not call for his dog before the expiration of that time, and pay a fine of 50c., and additional sum of One Dollar for a tag, the dog will be promptly killed.

SECTION 3.—Any person or persons owning or harboring a dog or dogs and failing to comply with Sections 1 and 2 of this Act within five (5) days after the same goes into effect, or any person or persons who may hereafter become the owner of or harbor any dog or dogs, and shall not immediately comply with the said Section, shall be deemed guilty of maintaining a common nuisance and liable to a fine of One Dollar and Costs for each day the said nuisance is maintained, and in default of same to be committed to the Workhouse for a term not exceeding Sixty days, at the discretion of the Alderman.

By order of the
TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

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Registered (No. 5519) as standard in Jack and Jennet Register of America; foaled August 1909; color, black, white markings; weight, 900; sound; in foal to Black Jack, "John G." Will be sold to the highest bid received at Kennett Trust Co., addressed "QUEEN WHITFORD," Kennett Square, Pa., in case of Trust Co., by March 1st, 1914.

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Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of Amos Anderson, late of St. Georges Hundred, deceased, were duly granted unto Frederick Brady on the 30th day of December A. D 1914 and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payment to the Administrator without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Administrator on or before the 30th day of December A. D. 1915, or abide by the law in this behalf.

FRFDERICK BRADY,
Administrator.

Address
Mr. Frederick Brady
Middletown, Del.

Our Gift Plan Winners

Our experiment in boosting our Holiday sales has succeeded beyond our highest expectations! We have made a new high-water mark in the sum total of those sales, and have moreover, gained a large number of new customers, whom by fair treatment we trust to add in coming years, to our ever increasing host of patrons and friends. We take this occasion therefore, to thank our patrons, old and new, for their hearty co-operation in making the affair such a grand success.

Of course where there were so many ardent contestants, and but five prizes, ALL could not win. But we are gratified to believe that all who entered the lists, whether winners or not, are satisfied that the contest has been impartially conducted. "A fair field and no favors," was our motto therein, with best wishes for everyone.

We give below the names of the five winners, and the names and amounts of the 23 other contestants.

No. 1.	Mrs. Royden Wilson, town..	$473 30
No. 2.	Mrs. E. Schetzler, Odessa..	$466 30
No. 3.	Mrs. J. Muhlberger, Odessa.	$455 40
No. 4.	Miss E. Alexander, town...	$245 40
No. 5.	Mrs. T. Whitlock, town...	$221 70
No. 6.	Mrs. E. Marker, Lorewood.	$204 60
No. 7.	Miss Ada Weber, Forest....	$ 97 20
No. 8.	Mrs. W. Carey, Mt. Pleasant	$ 85 20
No. 9.	Mrs. F. Smith, Warwick...	$ 58 80
No. 10.	Miss Clara Brady, town.....	$ 58 50
No. 11.	Mrs. Riggan, Georgetown..	$ 57 60
No. 12.	Mrs. A. Crawford.....	$ 53 90
No. 13.	Mrs. H. Davis, Odessa.....	$ 53 40
No. 14.	Mrs. A. Biggs.....	$ 52 50
No. 15.	Mrs. W. T. Pierce, town...	$ 42 10
No. 16.	Mrs. H. Brady, Mt. Plesant.	$ 35 50
No. 17.	Mrs. Buckworth	$ 34 00
No. 18.	Mrs. C. Unruh, Townsend.	$ 32 80
No. 19.	Mrs. Boulden, Earleville...	$ 26 20
No. 20.	Mrs. P. T. Devine, Warwick.	$ 22 80
No. 21.	Miss Mamie Filler, town..	$ 16 70
No. 22.	Mrs. W. H. Brown, Cecilton.	$ 12 35
No. 23.	B. Hardester	$ 11 10
No. 24.	H. Boyer.....	$ 10 90
No. 25.	W. B. Daniels, Earleville..	$ 10 80
No. 26.	J. Sempers.....	$ 8 70
No. 27.	G. M. Wilson.....	$ 8 50
No. 28.	C. W. Fillingame.....	$ 7 20

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